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President's Message:

Documenting birds: ***Some thoughts and suggestions***

Has the onslaught of modern recording media technology – digital cameras, digital video, picture-taking digital phones, digital audio recording, etc. – rendered the practice of writing field notes and documenting birds obsolete? As a mild sufferer of technophobia, I hope not!

Dependence on technology only, to record rarities or unusual out-of-season sightings, is not without risk, the risk of equipment failure being perhaps the most common. Nor is taking a diagnostic picture that easy, especially when a bird is in flight – speed of the bird, sun angle, direction the bird is flying – all may reduce the photographer's chances of getting just the right angle of a moving bird. Small birds flitting in foliage often epitomize this challenging problem. There's another challenge, faced by those of us who get questions from an ILYBer (or new birder) along the lines of, 'YOU SAW THAT BIRD FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 1976? WOW! Foot speed, hand/eye coordination, etc., plus a steady hand on the optical device, may just not be there when it's most needed – a quick look at what might have been your first Illinois Kirtland's Warbler, just before it disappears into an impenetrable tangle 50 feet down the trail.

Recording sounds is probably a less demanding skill. That's why I usually carry (I admit to being forgetful) a tiny digital recorder with an impressive frequency range capacity, when I'm alone. It works well for recording bird sounds, and gives me the ability to record my field notes of what I'm actually seeing/hearing right on the spot. Many smart phones offer the same features, plus the ability to listen to recordings of a host of species vocalizations. So I have confidence in the utility of my digital recorder, though batteries have gone dead at just the wrong time. Need I point out that a retentive memory might just be another physical/mental attribute that diminishes just a little with the passage of time?

So I just saw my first Kirtland's, but was alone at the time. No picture, no recording, no other birders. Darn! That means I'll have to write documentation. I wonder if many newer birders, perhaps failing to get their camera up in time, simply choose to not provide documentation. That decision, while understandable, means a useful record may go unreported – and that's too bad. Written documentation should never become obsolete (even if the writing is an upload of a digital recording of the observer's description of a sighting; today's records committees are certainly able to use that for documentation.

Many birders are intimidated at the thought of providing written documentation. To that I say:

1. Google "documenting rare birds." You'll find a plethora of resources to help you learn to write a coherent, detail-oriented documentation report, including how to accurately describe shape, plumage details, how you differentiated it from a lookalike species, etc.

2. Acquire the habit of recording field notes, even when you think the photo is diagnostic … it may not be. Those on the spot notes are far more reliable than memory!

3. Don't fear rejection. The best birders in the world have had sightings rejected by their peers.

4. Do your best to avoid grabbing Sibley, or some other field guide, to help with your description. Noting (only) what you actually saw/heard is the most valuable documentation you can provide.

5. If you're with another birder, and they saw it too, encourage them to make their own notes on the spot, following that with supplying written documentation. Two pairs of eyes often see different aspects of the same bird.

Our understanding of species movements, vagrancy, and other behaviors will be enriched when we as birders report what we see, with our eyes, ears and brain, not just our cameras, for the archives of the science of ornithology. And for me at least, that process enhances my memory of the moment!

Robert Fisher

Letter from the Editor

Listing, listing, listing

I admit it. I am not a huge lister.

For example, my husband, Steve Bailey, finally had to update my Illinois list and Lake County list to see where I'm at, and I can't actually remember if I've seen a Black-legged Kittiwake or not in Illinois. (I've seen plenty in Europe and Alaska). So as it stands now, I have 343 for Illinois, and 296 for Lake County. Steve who hasn't lived in Lake County nearly as long as I have, has a higher list for that county – 299!

I have my excuses. I don't want to drive six hours to chase down a bird and use all that gas, and then feel sorry for the bird because it's not where it belongs. I've got work to do on Meadowlark – etc.

But really, it is quite fun and I actually have Joe Lill, Mike Madsen and Jim Mountjoy to thank for trying to keep me updated. Joe sends me reminders, sometimes accompanied by funny little comments, to send in my numbers. So I'm updated now. And I am utterly impressed with the fine work these three data crunchers do to get Listers Corner updated online regularly, so that procrastinating folks like me can get ramped up to try to add more birds to the list, or start new ones. (I don't procrastinate on anything, except updating my bird list – don't know why!)

If you haven't seen it lately, go to http://www.illinoisbirds.org/listers-corner/ and browse through all that fun stuff, and start counting and recording. Having birded for many years in Illinois, I need to get past that 350 mark. It's shameful. So thanks, Listers Corner gurus for keeping me on my toes and showing us all the fun ways to count birds in Illinois.

Sheryl DeVore

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Occupancy and Turnover Dynamics of Grassland Birds on Private Lands of Illinois as Affected by Habitat and Field Management

BY JUSTIN J. SHEW, CLAYTON K. NIELSEN, AND DONALD W. SPARLING

Midwestern grassland bird populations, especially within the tallgrass prairie region, have consistently declined within the past few decades, according to Breeding Bird Survey data (Herkert 1995). Much of the problems associated with grassland birds include habitat loss to anthropogenic disturbances, namely large agricultural development, and loss of historical grassland disturbances such as fire and large grazing ungulates (Askins et al. 2007).

Farms of today are much larger in scale, plant less diverse crops, and have less pasture compared with farms of earlier decades. In addition, farmers continually remove hedge rows that used to provide some habitat for grassland species, such as Northern Bobwhite. Extensive use of herbicide in agriculture reduces weedy habitat and the insects and seed foods for wildlife, such as grassland birds. Furthermore, today's grassland patches are relatively small compared with historic tracts of prairie where numerous bison roamed. Historic disturbances such as fire and grazing bison are basically non-existent in contemporary grasslands on public and private lands. However, these combined disturbances may be seen on large-scale restorations such as the Natchusa Grasslands near Franklin Grove, Illinois.

Jerry Kumery took this photo of a Dickcissel at Wolf Prairie, Westchester, Cook County in early June 2007.

The federal Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) within the 1985 Farm Bill has helped alleviate habitat loss to agriculture by encouraging landowners with economic incentives to enroll marginal agriculture land into 10-15 year federal contracts. Enrolled landowners are then required to plant vegetation cover, typically grasses, to reduce erosion, improve water quality, and provide wildlife habitat. Since 2003, landowners also have been required to manage their fields to encourage greater plant diversity for the benefit of wildlife. Mid-contract management (MCM), as it is called, can range from prescribed burns, disking, herbicidal spraying, and inter-seeding of additional forbs and legumes. The main goal of MCM is to reduce dominant grass cover and diversify floristic and structural components of CRP fields for the benefit of wildlife.

Our study addressed how grassland-obligate birds responded to changes in vegetation structure and floristic composition related to MCM and other habitat factors. For instance, grassland birds generally are negatively affected by forest habitat. Understanding the complexity of avian responses to habitat factors often requires a multi-factor approach. Specifically, we addressed occupancy dynamics of seven grassland-obligate species in relation to multiple habitat factors including MCM.

Methods

Our study took place in northwestern Illinois across six different counties; however, the majority of our study fields resided in Henry, Stark, and Whiteside counties. These fields were either dominated by (1) smooth brome (*Bromus inermis*), a non-native grass commonly planted to reduce erosion, or (2) more "native" in nature. Native fields commonly had warm-season grasses such as little bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*), big bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*), switchgrass (*Panicum virgatum*), and Indiangrass (*Sorghastrum nutans*). Other common plants found in study fields included Kentucky bluegrass (*Poa pratensis*), reed canary grass (*Phalaris arundinaceea*), white mulberry (*Morus alba*), wild parsnip (*Pastinaca sativa*), goldenrod (*Solidago sp.*), horseweed (*Conyza canadensis*), poison hemlock (*Conium maculatum*), and common milkweed (*Asclepias syriaca*).

Avian line-transect surveys were conducted twice a year during the breeding season (May-July) at each field to determine avian occupancy for Dickcissel (*Spiza americana*), Eastern Meadowlark (*Sturnella magna*), Field Sparrow (*Spizella pusilla*), Grasshopper Sparrow (*Ammodramus savannarum*), Henslow's Sparrow (*Ammodramus henslowii*), Northern Bobwhite (*Colinus virginianus*), and Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*). Surveys were conducted over the course of four years, from 2011 to 2014. Occupancy is defined as the proportion of fields having at least one individual of the species

of interest. We also accounted for variation in detection (probability of detecting at least one focal species of interest during a survey given that it is present), which often leads to better inference. For instance, detection typically becomes lower the later in a day a survey is conducted, as male individuals do not sing as much.

Mid-contract management was conducted from 2011-2014, starting after the 2011 breeding season. Control (no management), disking, herbicidal spraying, and spraying with forb/legume interseeding treatments were randomly assigned and equally distributed across study fields. We sampled vegetation from July to August after nesting subsided and we used a geographic information system to calculate landscape factors surrounding each study field (Figure 1).

We used model selection techniques to assess how microhabitat, patch, and landscape factors (Figure 1) affected occupancy and turnover dynamics of focal grassland bird species (MacKenzie et al. 2003). Model selection approaches test different hypotheses, models that represent different combinations of habitat factors, and the models are ultimately ranked against one another in their explanatory ability. Such an analysis of dynamic occupancy can help wildlife managers develop an understanding of turnover dynamics, also known as colonization (probability that a field unoccupied the year before becomes occupied) and extinction (probability that a field previously occupied the year before becomes unoccupied), to make informed conservation decisions.

Craig Thayer took this photo of a Henslow's Sparrow in Cook County in June 2011.

Results and Discussion

After accounting for detection variability among each species, analysis of occupancy and turnover dynamics revealed some general scale patterns. Occupancy appeared to be equal-

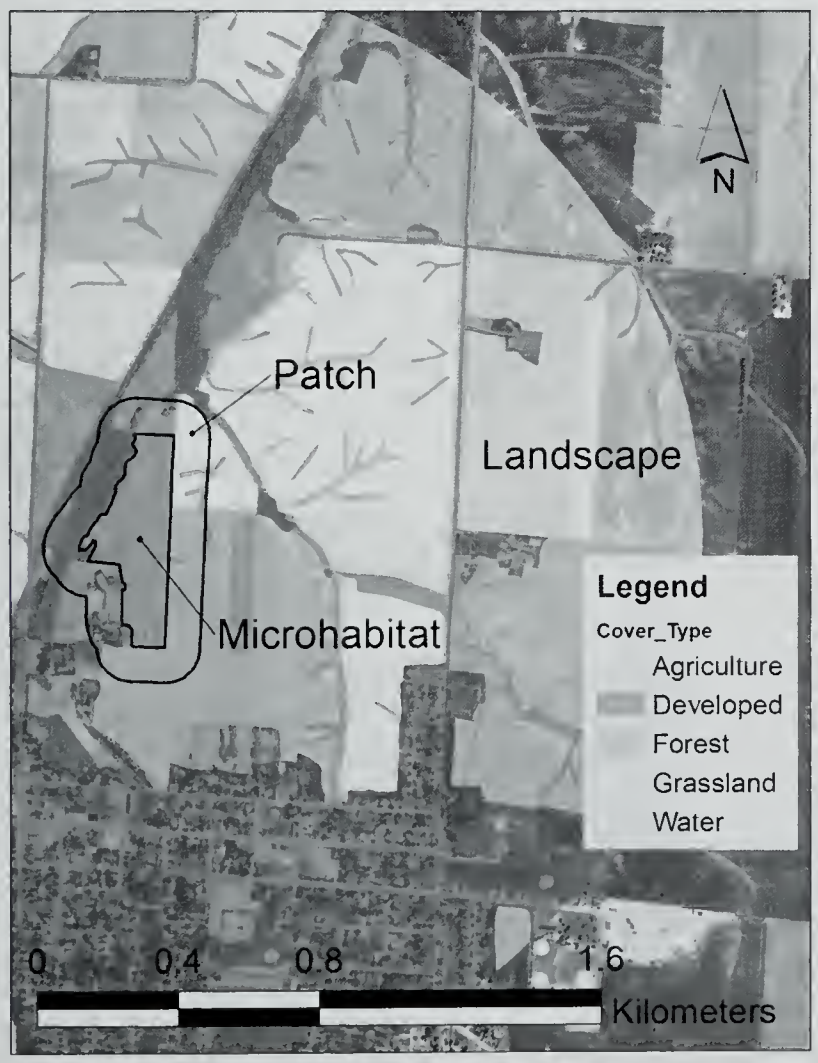

Figure 1. A one field example of the 3 scales of interest used to investigate dynamic occupancy of 7 focal grassland-obligate grassland birds on private Conservation Reserve Program fields (n = 54) in northwestern, Illinois during the 2011-2014 breeding seasons. Cover types, represented in the legend were digitized from 2012 aerial photography provided by the USDA. Microhabitat factors represented within-field characteristics such as vegetation structure, floristic composition, mid-contract management, dominant grass type. Patch factors were calculated from 100 meter buffered outlines of fields with the inclusion of field size. Landscape factors were calculated from digitized cover types from a 1600 radius circle centered on each field. Proportion of different habitat cover types and the total amount of edge from cover types were calculated for each survey field.

ly influenced by microhabitat and patch scale variables, with a slight bias toward landscape factors (Figure 2). Although there were more potential microhabitat variables used to investigate turnover dynamics, microhabitat variables appeared most often in top models of colonization and extinction respectively; 6 and 5 times, respectively. Patch factors appeared to be the next most influential followed by landscape factors for colonization and extinction (Figure 2).

That microhabitat factors explained avian field turnover dynamics makes sense because vegetation structure and composition are two of the most dynamic aspects of the grassland system (Table 1). Historically, fire and grazing ungulates commonly disturbed grasslands and set back succession. Conversely, grasslands left idle will start to have tree encroachment and dominant grasses can start to outcompete other species. Many grassland bird species, such as the Dickcissel, Henslow's Sparrow, and Sedge Wren, appear to have very nomadic behavior which may be an adaptation to the ever-changing nature of grasslands (Herkert et al. 2001, Temple 2002, Dornak et al. 2013). Thus, if vegetation changes too much, individuals will likely recolonize a different field the following year.

Matthew Fletcher took this photo of a Grasshopper Sparrow at Illinois Beach State Park, Lake County 3 June 2007.

Although some habitat variables are interrelated, cumulative MCM on a field, regardless of field type, appeared to significantly increase the probability of colonization for Ringed-necked Pheasant. Conversely, Henslow's Sparrow had a significant increase in probability of extinction with increased cumulative MCM done on a field, regardless of treatment type. In addition, Field Sparrows appeared to respond negatively to MCM as their probability of extinction increased following any type of management. These results highlight that each species has specific microhabitat needs and habitat management that benefit one species and will likely be detrimental to others.

However, our analysis did reveal some consistent patterns involving factors that were applicable for most all the focal species studied. Proportion of forest in the landscape appeared in top models 8 times and for five of seven species had negative effects in terms of occupancy or field turnover. Generally more forest in the landscape meant lower

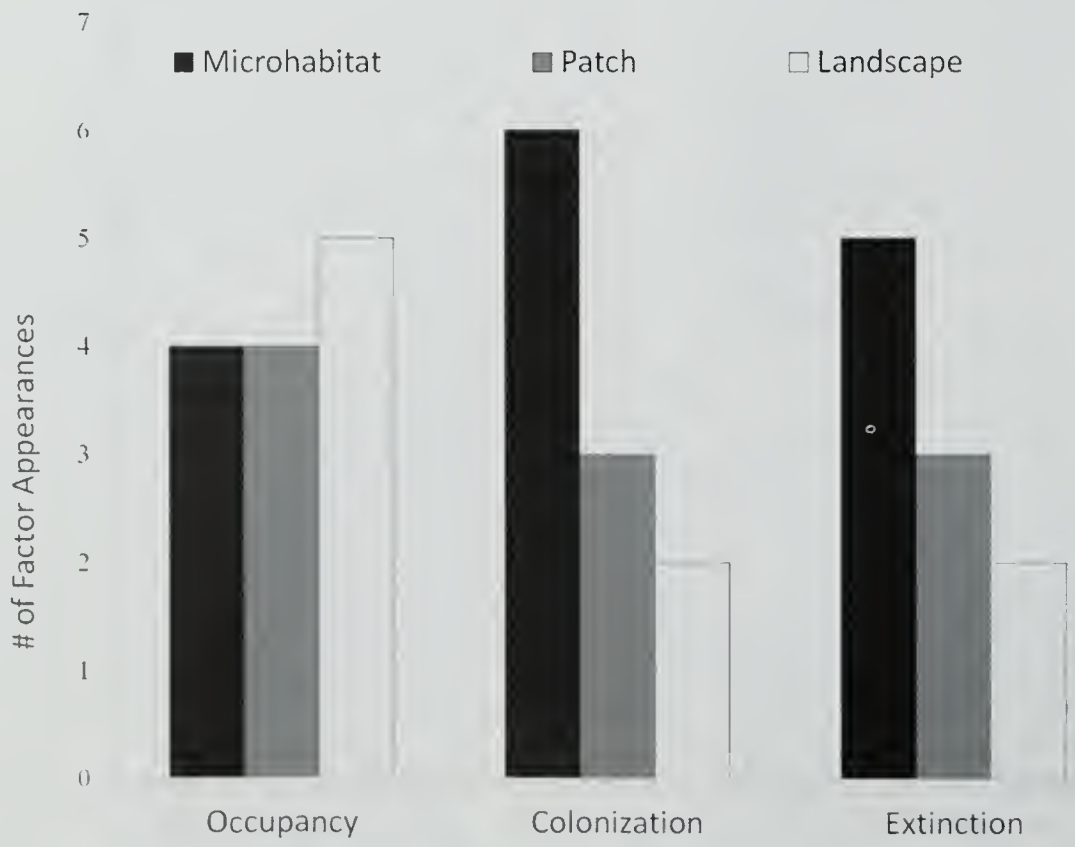

Figure 2. The combined number of times a particular scale factor (microhabitat, patch, or landscape) appeared in top model dynamic occupancy models across 7 different focal grassland birds species (dickcissel, eastern meadowlark, field sparrow, grasshopper sparrow, Henslow's sparrow, northern bobwhite, and ring-necked pheasant). Factors appearing in top models can be interpreted as important in their ability to explain variability for a particular parameter of interest (occupancy, colonization, or extinction) given the data and select explanatory factors of interest. Scale definitions are provided in Figure 1.

occupancy rates, decreased colonization probabilities, and increased probability of extinction. Fields Sparrows, not surprisingly, responded positively to more forest within landscapes surrounding survey fields. This species has been known to use forest habitat for foraging and song advertisement (Best 1977a, Best 1977b, Best 1978). Interestingly, with the exception of Field Sparrow, forest cover negatively affected turnover dynamics of resident game species, which may have limited dispersal and movement abilities compared to migratory passerines. Our study landscape is dominated by agriculture, which may not be such an impenetrable barrier for pheasants and quail as forest. Henslow's Sparrow was the only species that did not have forested landscape explaining variability in dynamic occupancy.

Other habitat factors, although not as prevalent as forest landscape cover, which had consistent effects across all focal species include field size and amount of grassland surrounding fields within a 100-meter buffer (i.e., the patch scale). With the exception of the Eastern Meadowlark, increasing field size and amount of grassland cover immediately surrounding fields always had positive impacts on occupancy and/or colonization, or reduced probability of extinction.

Our results will help conservationists make more informed decisions that could benefit a particular grassland-obligate species or group of species. We suggest that policy makers and wildlife managers attempt to incorporate knowledge of assigned management throughout the landscape, to ensure grassland birds have options of different successional stages of MCM. In addition, we suggest MCM may be less effective within smaller field sizes and landscapes

Table 1. Associated factors from three separate scales which help explain variation in occupancy and field turnover dynamics for 7 grassland-obligate birds. The combinations of factors listed for each species were retained in the most competitive models (hypotheses) explaining variation for a particular parameter [occupancy (ψ), colonization (γ), and extinction (ε)]. Significant explanatory factors are marked with an asterisk (*) and the trend of the particular relationship is noted with a positive (+) or negative (-) sign. A positive relationship means that as the values of the explanatory factor increase so does the value of the modeled parameter of interest; whereas, the parameter of interests decreased with increase values of the explanatory factor in a negative relationship. DICK = dickcissel, EAME = Eastern Meadowlark, FISP = Field Sparrow, GRSP = Grasshopper Sparrow, HESP = Henslow's Sparrow, NOBO = Northern Bobwhite, and RNEP = Ring-necked Pheasant.

		Microhabitat						Patch				Landscape	
Species		**Forb[a] diversity**	**Forb[b] patchiness**	**Litter cover[c] & dead veg. height**	**Grass type[d]**	**% Field MCM[e]**	**MCM[f] conduct**	**Field size**	**Grass-land[g]**	**Forest edge[h]**	**Ag edge[h]**	**Forest[i]**	**Total edge[j]**
DICK	ψ	.....	.....	—*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	—	.....
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GRSP	ψ	.....	.....	—	.....	.....	.....	.....	+	.....	.....	.....	—*
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HESP	ψ	.....	.....	.....	—	.....	.....	.....	+*	.....	.....	.....	.....
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	ε					+*				—*			
NOBO	ψ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	—	.....	—	.....
	γ				+							—*	
	ε	—*						—*					
RNEP	ψ	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	+*	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	γ					+*							
	ε	—*										—*	

[a] Factor derived from PC1 of a principal component analysis (PCA) of yearly vegetation sample data. [b] Factor derived from standard deviation of PC1. [c] Factor derived from PC2 of the same PCA of vegetation data. [d] Dominant grass types where positive relationships denote an association with native fields. [e] Cumulative percentage of field managed regardless of MCM treatment. [f] denote if MCM was conducted that particular year or not. [g] percentage of grassland cover at a 100 meter buffer outline of field. [h] percentage of edge directly adjacent to survey field (Ag. = agriculture). [i] percentage of forest within a 1600 meter radius concentric circle centered on the survey field. [j] Total amount of edge with 1600 meter concentric circle surround field from digitize cover types including grassland, forest, agriculture, urbanized, and water bodies.

dominated by forest cover. Future land acquisitions, including future CRP enrollments to benefit grassland birds, when possible, should incorporate knowledge of landscape and field size when making decisions. It seems that larger CRP enrollments with a variety of microhabitat characteristics within a non-forested landscape may have the greatest conservation value for greatest number of grassland bird species.

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The 2014 Illinois Statewide Spring Bird Count

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One-hundred-sixteen Black Vultures were found in 12 counties during the 2014 Illinois Spring Bird Count. Steven D. Bailey took this photo of 22 of 30+ Black Vultures in Johnson County the day after the count on 11 May 2014.

The 2014 Illinois Statewide Spring Bird Count marks the 43th Spring Bird Count. We thank the 99 counties that contributed (See Table 1 and Figure 5). In 2013 we adjusted the count protocol by adding a second day to the count to increase the state coverage. While we were successful in increasing coverage, there has been some confusion about the usage of the second day and we would like to provide some clarification.

The second day was put into place so that we could make sure that all counties are first surveyed, and second that counties with few volunteers may be better covered with a second day. Counties that currently have greater than 10 volunteers or multiple parties should continue to only count on the Saturday that lies between 4 May and 10 May. For counties that have very few volunteers (in many cases fewer than five) the second day becomes either the day those counties can do their official count day, with others that censused the day before helping them on the Sunday, or if need be the compiler and the few volunteers can go back out on the second day and cover areas of the county they were unable to cover during the Saturday. Counties vary in size and for a county that is very small, few volunteers may be able to cover habitat throughout that county in one day. If a county is covered over a two day period we need count data from each of those days separated. This is needed for analytical purposes, if the data are combined it is unlikely we will be able to use these data to analyze population trends or changes in distribution

While every county in Illinois has good habitat, certain counties have "a bit" more. While you may think that the counties with less habitat are the ones that are not being monitored, that is not correct and anyone interested in counting in a county that needs a compiler for 2016 let us know. For updates to counties needing compilers please check the SBC website at http://wwx.inhs.illinois.edu/index.php?cID=2647.

This website has been revamped and can be accessed in addition to Urs Geiser's website at http://home.comcast.net/~ugeiser/birds/index_sbc.html.

2014 Results

The 2014 Illinois spring bird count was held 10 May and 11 May. A grand total of 478,582 birds were detected in 2014, down from 544,583 birds in 2013. The total number of species detected was 275, very close to 277 species in 2013 (See Table 3, page xx).

- The once state-threatened Double-crested Cormorant continues to increase. Clinton County alone detected 8,000 individuals and the total for the state was 14,752. (See Figure 1)
- A record number of Eastern Wood-Pewees were detected (1,444) in a record number of counties (95).

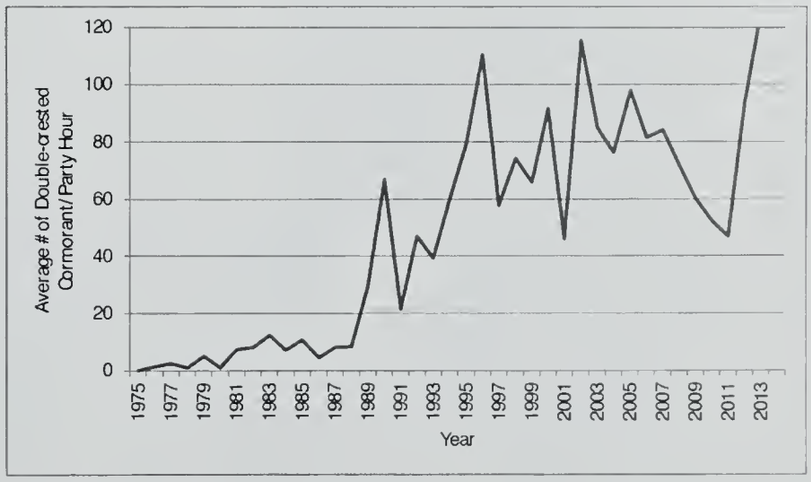

Figure 1: Population Trend of Double-crested Cormorant on SBCs over the last 43 years.

- Bell's Vireo's had a big year succeeding records for number of counties with detections (53), number of individuals detected (247), and county high St. Clair (34). Warbling Vireo also had a big year, breaking records for number of counties (96), number of individuals (2,950), and a county high with Cook detecting (263).
- A record number of Cliff Swallows were detected (8,235) in a record number of counties (83).
- Two counties located Smith's Longspurs with 18 in Peoria County and Champaign County located 3.
- Two warbler species, American Redstart and Chestnut-sided Warbler, surpassed prior county highs detected (90 and 83), number of individuals detected (2,869 and 1,528), and county high total (Cook 596 and Cook 305).
- A record number of Savannah Sparrows were detected (1,809).
- McLean County detected one Nelson's Sparrow.
- Northern Cardinals continue to increase in numbers with a record number of individuals (15,041).
- Dickcissel and Bobolink were detected in a record number of counties (87 and 83).
- American White Pelicans were found in 41 counties and 3,574 individuals were detected throughout the state.

One of the more interesting data sets shows how common species are through time. Though this can be difficult to interpret due to differential effort through the years, one approach is to simply rank how common a species is in a given year and compare that rank with previous years. Red-winged Blackbird continues to retain the designation of being the most common along with American Robin, which continues to be the second most common species detected (See Table 1).

A Red-necked Grebe was found on the Illinois spring bird count for the second year in a row. This species is rarely found on the SBC. Photo of Red-necked Grebe taken at East Fork Lake, Olney, Richland County. 8 March 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

A single White-faced Ibis was found during the 2014 Illinois Spring Bird Count. Steven D. Bailey took this photo of a White-faced Ibis near Horseshoe Lake, Alexander County, 27 April 2014.

The Population Trends of Common Urban Birds in Illinois

One of the strengths of the Spring Bird Count is that, in general, all habitats are censused. Parties record all birds that are detected and while it is likely that the participants spend more time in "natural" habitats, all counties often report House Sparrows, Rock Pigeons, and other "urban birds" suggesting they are surveying in urban environments. Over the last couple years there has been more attention to the plight of urban birds, both species that are increasing and those that are decreasing in urban environ-

Table 1: The relative rank of species in terms of abundance (top 20 in 2014) in a given year.

Species	2014	2013	20122011	2010	
Red-winged Blackbird	1	1	1	1	1
American Robin	2	2	2	2	2
Common Grackle	3	5	4	3	6
European Starling	4	4	3	4	3
Canada Goose	5	7	5	5	7
Northern Cardinal	6	12	8	11	14
Dbl-crested Cormorant	7	22	19	38	32
House Sparrow	8	11	6	9	9
American Goldfinch	9	10	7	6	10
Brown-headed Cowbird	10	9	9	7	12
Cliff Swallow	11	23	24	23	8
Indigo Bunting	12	38	13	20	18
Mourning Dove	13	13	10	14	15
Barn Swallow	14	14	11	12	4
American Coot	15	8	14	39	93
Tree Swallow	16	3	12	10	5
Gray Catbird	17	51	28	36	31
Palm Warbler	18	16	34	22	21
Ring-billed Gull	19	15	18	17	16
Common Yellowthroat	20	48	20	33	35

ments. Below are figures of the population trends and distribution of several urban birds. For many of us who live in urban areas, these are the birds that we can have a significant impact on, by maintaining bird-friendly environments. In addition when common birds decline it can be a time of concern given that birds are often sentinels of environmental issues.

Fifty-three Yellow-bellied Sapsuckers were found in 14 counties during the 2014 Illinois Spring Bird Count. Dan Kassebaum took this photo of a Yellow-bellied Sapsucker at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County, 18 April 2014.

Doves of Illinois

Eurasian Collared-Doves are one of the newest additions to the breeding birds of Illinois. The species exploded in Illinois over the last decade and it will be interesting to determine the extent to which this species will spread across the state. From the distribution map it appears the species is establishing a stronghold in the southwestern and central portions of Illinois (Figure 2). Given its apparent preferences for grain elevators and urban areas we might expect the species to displace Rock Pigeons, and they may also compete with Mourning Doves. However the population trends for the three dove species in Illinois suggest that Mourning Doves have a healthy population, and while Rock Pigeons have experienced a slow decline, it began before collared-doves arrived. Over the next few decades it will be interesting to see if the increase in collared-dove populations impacts either of the other two dove species.

Seventy-seven Eastern Screech-Owls were reported from 41 counties during the 2014 Illinois Spring Bird Count. Dan Kassebaum took this photo of an Eastern Screech-Owl at Carlyle Lake, Clinton County, 18 May 2014.

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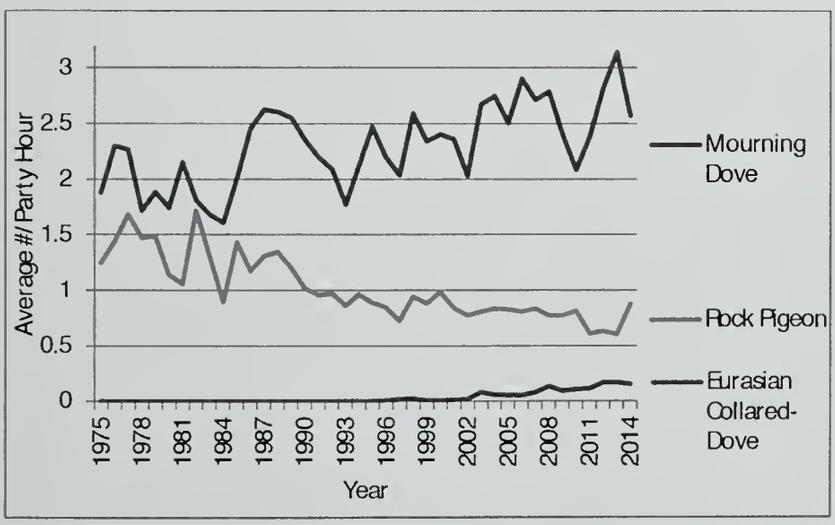
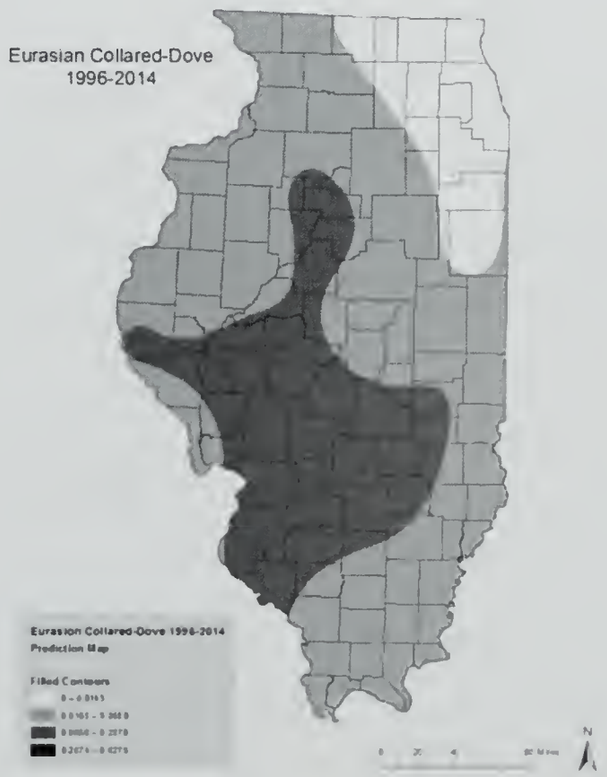
Figure 2: Eurasian Collared-Dove Distribution and population trend of the three dove species in Illinois over the last 43 years.





A single Fox Sparrow was found during the 2014 Illinois Spring Bird Count. Chris Madsen took this photo of a Fox Sparrow at the Batavia Quarry Park, Kane County, 2 April 2014.

The unwanted urban birds

While most birds species are afforded some sort of legal protection, a few are considered nuisance species and often persecuted. These are primarily exotic species such as House Sparrows and European Starlings. While starlings are holding their own, House Sparrows are experiencing declines, and these declines are not confined to Illinois. The species is also declining in Europe (its native range) and parts of Asia. While the loss of House Sparrows in Illinois is not eminent, and most people would not shed a tear at their extirpation, the question of why this species is declining should be addressed. When one of the most common species is declining, it raises the question of whether the species is a bellwether of environmental issues. Not only are exotic species such as House Sparrows declining, but the nearly ubiquitous Common Grackle appears on a downward trajectory, which again is a bit alarming (Figure 3).

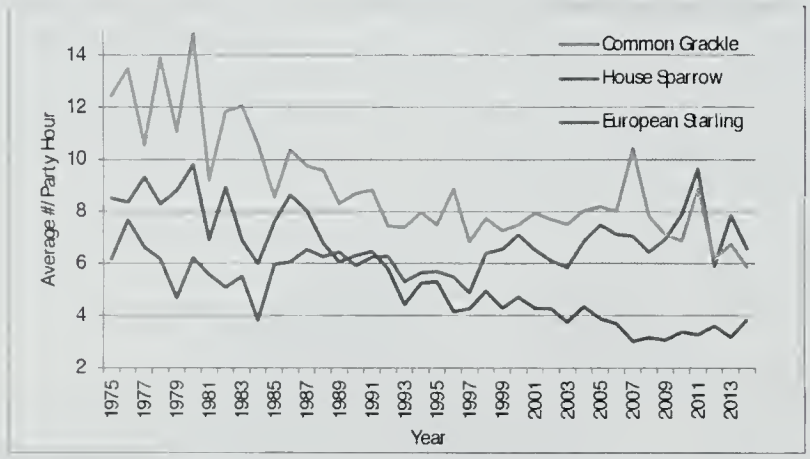
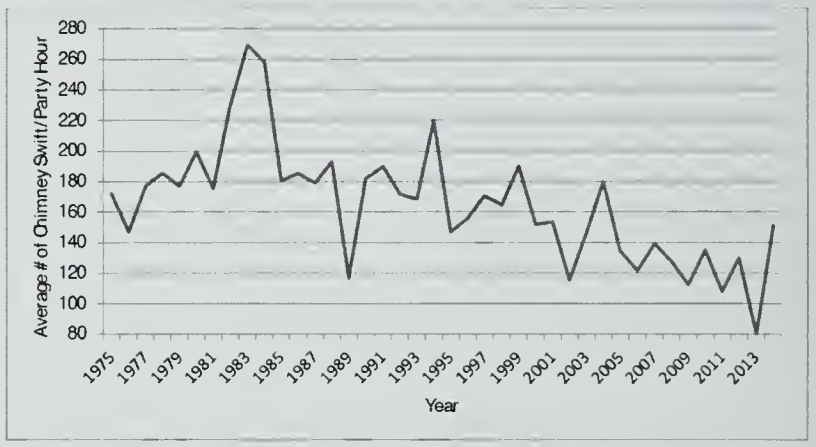


Figure 3: Population trend of European Starling, House Sparrow, and Common Grackle over the last 43 years.

Human Commensals

Chimney Swifts are interesting in that they are a human commensal (a species that lives in close association with humans and benefits from living near humans) in Illinois. Most all Chimney Swifts in Illinois now nest in chimneys, although historically the species nested in hollow trees. Given the number of houses with chimneys it might be expected that the species would be increasing or at least maintaining a stable population. Chimney Swifts, however, are on several regional lists as species that are declining. The Spring Bird Count data also show a consistent decline (Figure 4). The reason for this decline is unknown, but there are two prominent hypotheses put forward. 1) the aerial insects that Chimney Swifts rely on may be declining leading to lower survival and reproductive success, 2) new building codes that require chimney caps may severely limit the number of appropriate chimneys for nesting and/or roosting during migration.

Figure 4: Population Trend of Chimney Swift on SBCs over the last 42 years.



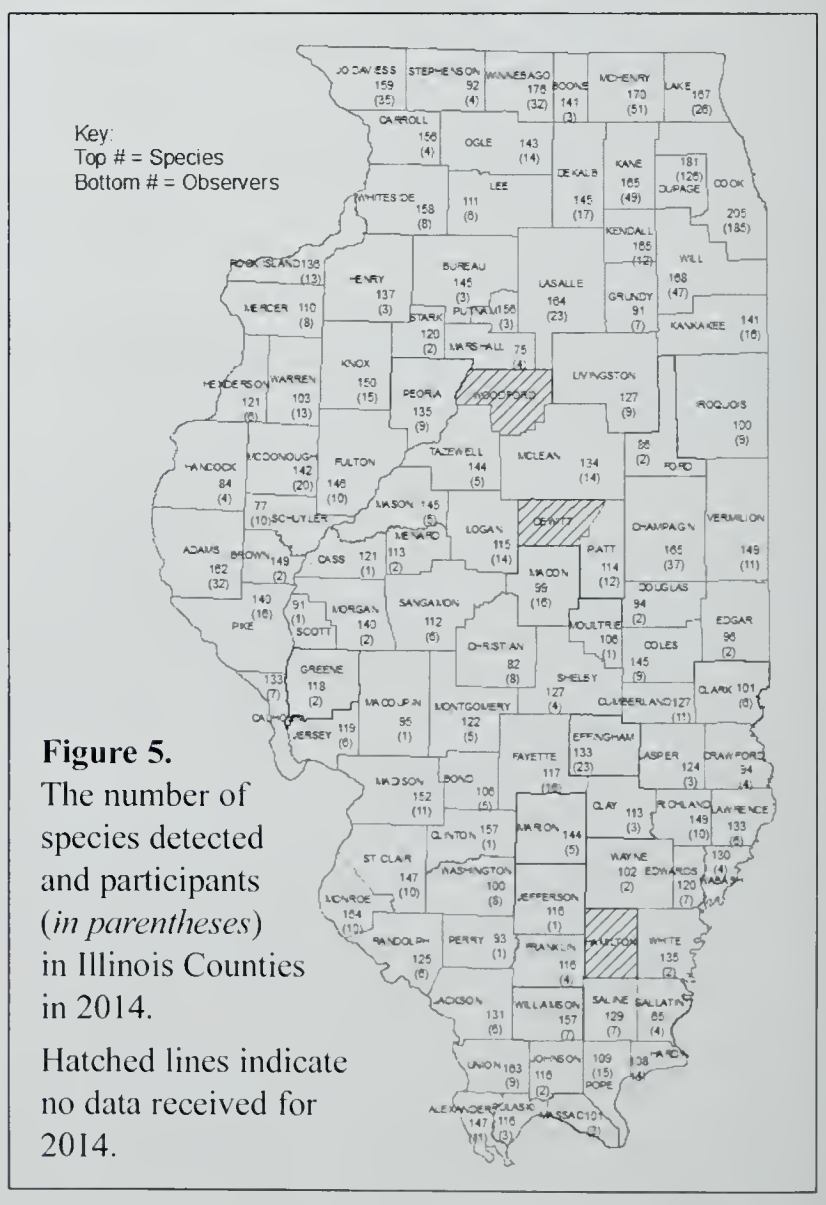


Figure 5. The number of species detected and participants (*in parentheses*) in Illinois Counties in 2014.

Hatched lines indicate no data received for 2014.

Table 2 – 2014 County Statistics

County	Sp.	Birds	Obs	Ptys.	Start	End Walk	Miles Drive	Miles Other	Miles Walk	Hrs Drive	Hrs Other	Hrs	Compiler
Adams	162	6592	32	10	0	1930	15.75	475	0	12.5	50	0	Jason Mullins
Alexander	147	7337	11	7	400	1630	9	281.5	0	15.25	36	0	Allen Gathman
Bond	106	2343	5	1	600	2000	3	135	0	5.5	8.5	0	Charley Marbut
Boone	141	2818	3	2	515	2000	15	81	0	22.75	5	0	John Todt
Brown	149	2513	2	1	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Mike Ward
Bureau	145	6536	3	3	330	N.R.	13.8	189	0	17.75	19	0	Doug Stotz
Calhoun	133	2449	7	4	430	1900	5.5	201	0	13	20	0	Bill Atwood
Carroll	156	4617	4	3	230	1630	7	217	0	9.5	18.5	0	Jeff Baughman
Cass	121	2008	1	1	445	1645	1	146	0	1	10.25	0	Robert Randall
Champaign	165	7987	37	15	300	2030	70	411	0	89	18	0	Beth Chato
Christian	82	2123	8	4	600	2030	3.8	145	0	10.3	9.5	0	Natalie Porter
Clark	101	1113	6	4	545	1830	5.5	11	0	8	6	0	Laurence Thorsen
Clay	113	2860	3	2	630	1800	3	166	0	7	7	0	Terry Esker
Clinton	157	13852	1	1	300	2000	2	200	0	3	11.5	0	Dan Kassebaum
Coles	145	1902	9	3	355	1830	11.5	114.5	0	13.5	8.75	0	Tyler Funk
Cook	205	46102	185	88	400	2015	268.45	381.2	0	367.05	53.68	1	Alan Anderson
Crawford	94	2247	4	2	500	1700	1	115	0	1	18	0	PatriciaNeighbors
Cumberland	127	2525	11	6	430	1830	16	155	0	21.5	12.5	0	Laurence Thorsen
De Kalb	145	7944	17	6	315	2200	37	284	1	50	33	4	Darrell Shambaugh
De Witt	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.
Douglas	94	451	2	1	730	1100	2	25	0	2.5	1	0	Tyler Funk
Du Page	181	27394	126	51	340	2100	**	**	**	**	**	**	Bob Fisher
Edgar	96	1327	2	1	520	1518	3	49	0	N.R.	N.R.	0	David Thomas
Edwards	120	2926	7	3	400	1920	6	160	0	9.16	23.58	0	Bob Shelby
Effingham	133	4093	7	5	430	2000	11	95	0	25.5	8.5	0	Mary Ann Hoeffliger
Fayette	117	4605	16	11	451	2200	15.5	227	0	20.83	17.5	0	Kathy Stokes
Ford	86	955	2	2	515	1945	3.8	40	1	7.75	1.5	1	Eric Smith
Franklin	116	3869	4	3	330	1930	N.R.	N.R.	0	9.5	N.R.	0	Robert Drennan
Fulton	146	6170	10	4	600	2130	12.25	274	0	14.75	28	0	Maury Brucker
Gallatin	65	991	4	2	315	1430	2	28	0	2.5	9.5	0	Leila Kassim
Greene	118	1595	2	1	200	1900	2	210	0	1.5	11.75	0	Craig Taylor
Grundy	91	1801	7	6	530	2000	13.5	92	0	27	5	0	Diane Cooper
Hamilton	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.
Hancock	84	1895	4	2	500	1730	2.5	133.5	0	2.5	16.5	0	J. Michael Sallee
Hardin	108	1506	4	2	527	2018	2.04	106.5	0	47.58	19.17	0	Elizabeth Raikes
Henderson	121	2024	6	3	235	2032	8	71	0	10	7.5	0	Chuck Leib
Henry	137	2413	3	2	430	1530	10	119	0	8.5	5.25	0	Randy Nyboer
Iroquois	100	2105	9	7	630	2030	9	126	0	14	15	0	William Burwell
Jackson	131	2920	6	6	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Rhonda Rothrock
Jasper	124	1087	3	2	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Scott Simpson
Jefferson	116	1467	1	1	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Bill Atwood
Jersey	119	2342	6	3	430	1900	5.75	180.25	0	2.5	27.5	0	Blair Campbell
Jo Daviess	159	12635	35	11	545	1800	23.5	520.5	0	36.333	55.75	0	Grace Storch
Johnson	116	1231	2	1	500	2115	1.5	131	0	2	14	0	Ray Boehmer
Kane	165	18743	49	21	400	2030	155	357	0	115	24.75	0	Jon Duerr
Kankakee	141	4127	16	8	430	2040	18.5	184.5	0	30.5	19.5	0	David Atkinson
Kendall	165	7914	12	7	400	1930	41.25	112	0	69.4	7.5	0	Keith Johnson
Knox	150	3640	15	9	105	2200	17	191.2	0	13.25	18.25	0	Jim Mountjoy
Lake	167	16254	26	13	350	2035	69	293	0	86.25	10.25	0.75	Gary Hantsbarger
La Salle	164	7636	23	9	430	2015	33	536	0	42.25	41	0	John McKee
Lawrence	133	2913	6	3	515	2000	7	195	0	8.5	23	0	Julie St. John
Lee	111	2023	6	4	530	2100	8	64	0	18	4	0	John Bivins
Livingston	127	3088	9	6	**	**	13	257	0	34	11.5	0	David Johnson
Logan	115	3597	14	8	520	2026	26.5	197	0	34	28	0	Steve Coogan
Macon	99	1783	16	10	430	1900	18.5	42.5	0	28.75	4.75	0	Melody Arnold
Macoupin	95	1514	1	1	530	1645	7	47	0	6	6.25	0	Vicki Hedrick
Madison	152	6173	11	4	500	2030	18	268	0	24	21.5	0	Frank Holmes
Marion	144	2456	5	3	450	1800	8.5	216	0	8	13	0	Terry Esker
Marshall	75	1424	4	2	530	1500	4.5	184	0	5.85	12.25	0	Mary K. Hill
Mason	145	5409	5	2	445	1530	5.5	170	0	6	17.5	0	Sigurd Bjorklund
Massac	101	905	3	1	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Matt Mckim-Louder
McDonough	142	6260	20	12	450	2005	34	392.3	0	53.5	30	0	David and Heidi Benson

Table 2 – 2014 County Statistics, *continued*

County	Sp.	Birds	Obs	Ptys.	Start	End	Miles Walk	Miles Drive	Miles Other	Hrs Walk	Hrs Drive	Hrs Other	Compiler
McHenry	170	18916	51	27	500	2100	72.75	588	0	88.75	53.25	0	Rob Gough
McLean	134	5270	14	8	630	1800	36	244	0	46	14	0	Dale Birkenholz
Menard	113	877	2	2	600	2000	8	39	0	11	2.5	0	Jim Herkert
Mercer	110	4006	8	5	300	1700	3.23	306.1	0	4.75	34.5	0	Bill A. Bertrand
Monroe	164	5362	10	6	530	1930	11.2	193	0	23	26	0	Carl Daubach
Montgomery	122	3718	5	3	536	2036	11	177	0	22.5	13.5	0	Mark Phipps
Morgan	140	2600	2	1	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	**	Colin Dobson
Moultrie	106	1334	1	1	705	1635	4	76	0	3	5	0	Craig Stettner
Ogle	143	6841	14	7	N.R.	N.R.	25.4	315	0	37.3	21.25	0	Russ Cline
Peoria	135	3622	9	4	545	1820	15.5	263	0	24	14	0	Mike Miller
Perry	93	597	1	1	535	1830	5	17	0	5	3.5	0	Brian Chandler
Piatt	114	2170	12	7	515	1800	22	28	0	28.5	4.33	0	Charlene Anchor
Pike	140	6122	16	9	410	2045	17.5	466	0	18.3	58.2	0	Evelyn Hoover
Pope	109	3412	15	3	530	2359	7.25	240	0	10.25	27	0	Andrea Douglas
Pulaski	116	1963	3	1	628	1730	1.25	81	0	3.25	7.25	0	Rhonda Rothrock
Putnam	156	7167	3	3	330	1700	12	99.1	0	17	12.5	0	Michelle Simone
Randolph	125	2360	6	3	457	1945	5.5	156	0	13.35	10.58	0	Ann Sanders
Richland	149	3764	10	7	530	1700	7	300	0	10.5	30	1	Karen Marie Jameson
Rock Island	134	4560	8	4	500	1845	10	324	0	9	32.33	0	Tim Murphy
St. Clair	149	3989	10	6	0	2040	15.75	421	0	27.6	23	0	Richard Call
Saline	129	2619	7	2	420	2000	7	170	0	11	15	0	Tara Beveroth
Sangamon	112	2922	6	6	500	1900	18.5	87	0	18.5	6.5	0	Joe Gardner
Schuyler	77	1051	10	7	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	Carolynn Benninghoff
Scott	91	644	1	1	610	1855	3.25	73.05	0	6.45	6.01	0	Marlys Bandy
Shelby	127	1844	4	3	530	1900	6	160	0	10	15	0	Karen Forcum
Stark	120	2331	2	2	430	1900	3.5	92	25	7.5	4.75	2	Jeff Walk
Stephenson	92	1069	4	2	730	1800	7	17	0	15	2	0	George Visel
Tazewell	144	3280	5	3	545	2000	25.5	274.2	0	30	9.5	0	Pete Fenner
Union	163	7399	9	7	300	2030	11.5	335	0	14.5	46.5	0	Vernon Kleen
Vermilion	149	5725	11	8	430	2200	14.5	245	0	29.25	18.75	0	Marilyn Campbell
Wabash	130	1532	4	2	700	1930	7	90	0	7	3.5	0	Jacqueline Cullison
Warren	103	2310	13	8	530	2000	24	138	0	29.5	11	0	Lynn Schoonover
Washington	100	901	8	4	630	1930	4	40	0	13	1	0	Martin Kemper
Wayne	102	617	2	1	840	1900	3	68	0	4	6.33	0	Marcia Shelby
White	135	1620	2	1	500	1800	0.5	170	0	1	12	0	Bob Shelby
Whiteside	158	4393	8	5	415	2130	20.19	465	0	21.5	34	0	Dustin Holschuh
Will	168	15418	47	15	600	2000	45	429	0	70	49	10	Al Thomas
Williamson	157	4852	7	3	400	2015	6.5	198	0	9	19	0	Vicki Lang
Winnebago	176	19871	32	12	330	2030	73.97	757.9	8	97	39.45	1.5	Jack Armstrong
Woodford	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.	N.R.

N.R. = No Report ** = No data

Table 3 – Species accounts for the 2014 Spring Bird Count

Key to Table:
* New Spring Bird Count High Total
\# Ties Previous Spring Bird Count High Total
New species to Count in **Bold** Face and Underlined
Species Reported from a Single County in **Bold** Face

Species	Total Cos.	No. of Birds	High County (Total)
Greater White-fronted Goose	5	6	Fayette (2)
Snow Goose	17#	132*	Fayette (48)
Ross's Goose	1	1	Dekalb (1)
Cackling Goose	2	2	Rock Island (2)
Canada Goose	98	15277	Cook (1294)
Mute Swan	21	169	Tazewell (68)
Trumpeter Swan	3#	7	Carroll (4)
Wood Duck	96	2247	Cook (284)
Gadwall	18	156	Lake (38)
American Wigeon	8	25	Mason (7)
Mallard	92	5420	Cook (931)
Blue-winged Teal	76	1199	Monroe (138)
Northern Shoveler	42	439	Mason (107)
Northern Pintail	4	10	Brown (6)
Green-winged Teal	16	37	Monroe (14)
Canvasback	5	13	Pike (6)
Redhead	6	18	Putnam (6)
Ring-necked Duck	10	24	2 Counties (4)
Greater Scaup	1	1	Knox (1)
Lesser Scaup	22	118	2 Counties (24)
White-winged Scoter	1	2	Cook (2)
Bufflehead	5	13	Carroll (6)
Common Goldeneye	1	1	LaSalle (1)
Hooded Merganser	28	93	Jersey (13)
Common Merganser	4	10	Tazewell (4)
Red-breasted Merganser	6	119	Cook (111)
Ruddy Duck	24	279	Mason (76)
Northern Bobwhite	62	470	Calhoun (36)
Ring-necked Pheasant	56	437	Champaign (38)
Greater Prairie-Chicken	2	10	Marion (9)
Wild Turkey	85	782	Winnebago (71)
Common Loon	13	23	2 Counties (3)
Pied-billed Grebe	47	226	Cook (28)
Horned Grebe	7	16	Cook (7)
Red-necked Grebe	1	1	Adams (1)

Table 3 – Species accounts for the 2014 Spring Bird Count, *continued*

Species	Total Cos.	No. of Birds	High County (Total)
Western Grebe	1	1	Will (1)
Double-crested Cormorant	65	14752*	Clinton (8000)*
American White Pelican	41*	3574*	Madison (410)
American Bittern	11	23	Cook (10)#
Least Bittern	5	8	Putnam (3)
Great Blue Heron	97	4582	Will (529)
Great Egret	55	1618	Will (334)
Snowy Egret	7	34	Alexander (14)
Little Blue Heron	14	37	St. Clair (14)
Cattle Egret	12	84	Alexander (32)
Green Heron	73	566	Cook (120)*
Black-crowned Night-Heron	19	209	Cook (104)
Yellow-crowned Night-Heron	5	15	Madison (6)
White-faced Ibis	1	1	Whiteside (1)
Black Vulture	12	116	Union (31)
Turkey Vulture	99	5528	Clinton (200)
Osprey	26	58	2 Counties (7)
Mississippi Kite	9	62	Alexander (23)
Bald Eagle	74	337	Alexander (20)
Northern Harrier	24	39	Will (4)
Sharp-shinned Hawk	16	31	Cook (6)
Cooper's Hawk	57	329	DuPage (63)*
Red-shouldered Hawk	47	148	Williamson (17)
Broad-winged Hawk	23	66	2 Counties (10)
Swainson's Hawk	1	1	Kane (1)
Red-tailed Hawk	99	1335	DuPage (103)
Golden Eagle	1#	1#	DuPage (1)#
Yellow Rail	1	1	Cook (1)
King Rail	2	2	2 Counties (1)
Virginia Rail	23	63	Lake (13)
Sora	59	700	Cook (137)*
Common Gallinule	6	7	DuPage (2)
American Coot	69	6762	Mason (1005)
Sandhill Crane	19#	331*	Winnebago (70)
Black-bellied Plover	6	57	Marshall (29)
American Golden-Plover	13	2632	Montgom.(1880)
Semipalmated Plover	37	326	DuPage (35)
Killdeer	98	2962	Winnebago (137)
Black-necked Stilt	13	62	Pike (16)
American Avocet	3	16	Greene (14)
Spotted Sandpiper	82	1052	Cook (138)
Solitary Sandpiper	72	591	Cook (88)
Greater Yellowlegs	47	280	Monroe (67)
Willet	6	22	Cook (10)
Lesser Yellowlegs	64	737	DuPage (55)
Upland Sandpiper	6	8	2 Counties (2)
Hudsonian Godwit	3#	3	3 Counties (1)
Marbled Godwit	2	3	Monroe (2)
Ruddy Turnstone	2	11	Putnam (9)
Sanderling	5	9	Peoria (4)
Semipalmated Sandpiper	43	456	McHenry (61)
Western Sandpiper	4	10	Calhoun (6)
Least Sandpiper	65	2732	Clinton (400)
White-rumped Sandpiper	18	84	Clinton (20)
Baird's Sandpiper	5#	14	Tazewell (7)
Pectoral Sandpiper	55	965	Mason (141)
Dunlin	22#	330	Wabash (52)
Stilt Sandpiper	4	7	Mason (3)
Short-billed Dowitcher	25	134	Marion (22)
Long-billed Dowitcher	7#	22	Marion (9)
Wilson's Snipe	20	62	Cook (22)
American Woodcock	28	95	Kankakee (13)
Wilson's Phalarope	24	118	Monroe (32)
Red-necked Phalarope	1#	2#	Henry (2)#
Bonaparte's Gull	5	63	Clinton (34)
Laughing Gull	1	2	Cook (2)
Franklin's Gull	2	8	Clinton (7)
Ring-billed Gull	44	6189	Cook (3929)
Herring Gull	10	151	Cook (99)
Least Tern	1#	2#	Wabash (2)#
Caspian Tern	21	629	Cook (524)
Black Tern	16	114	Carroll (44)
Common Tern	4	22	Williamson (9)
Forster's Tern	26	225	Cook (36)
Rock Pigeon	91	3063	Cook (246)
Eurasian Collared-Dove	75	328	2 Counties (25)
Mourning Dove	99	7773	Winnebago (406)
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	71	399	Williamson (34)
Black-billed Cuckoo	30	48	4 Counties (3)
Barn Owl	5#	6	Union (2)
Eastern Screech-Owl	41	77	DeKalb (7)
Great Horned Owl	54	206	DuPage (22)
Barred Owl	78	567	2 Counties (40)
Long-eared Owl	3	4#	Piatt (2)
Common Nighthawk	66	473	Williamson (59)
Chuck-will's-widow	10	18	3 Counties (3)
Eastern Whip-poor-will	39	407	Adams (206)
Chimney Swift	95	4098	Cook (394)
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	94*	1024	Union (51)
Belted Kingfisher	60	202	Cook (16)
Red-headed Woodpecker	92	1264	Winnebago (67)
Red-bellied Woodpecker	99	3682	DuPage (355)*
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	14	53	2 Counties (14)
Downy Woodpecker	97	2177	DuPage (284)*
Hairy Woodpecker	78	496	DuPage (65)
Northern Flicker	89	1405	Cook (197)
Pileated Woodpecker	74	389#	Union (30)
American Kestrel	85	307	Union (14)
Merlin	5#	5	5 Counties (1)
Peregrine Falcon	11	15	Cook (4)
Monk Parakeet	2	22	DuPage (18)
Olive-sided Flycatcher	15	25	Cook (5)
Eastern Wood-Pewee	95*	1444*	Williamson (76)
Yellow-bellied Flycatcher	6	8	Cook (3)
Acadian Flycatcher	60*	530	Union (77)
Alder Flycatcher	10	16	Menard (3)
Willow Flycatcher	26	72	Cook (13)
Least Flycatcher	75*	538	Cook (108)
Eastern Phoebe	96	1414	Winnebago (84)
Great Crested Flycatcher	96	2201*	Cook (117)
Western Kingbird	2	7	Madison (3)
Eastern Kingbird	98	3211	Cook (146)
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher	2#	2	2 Counties (1)
Loggerhead Shrike	13	18	2 Counties (3)
White-eyed Vireo	72	967	Union (151)
Bell's Vireo	53*	247*	St. Clair (34)*
Yellow-throated Vireo	81*	714	DuPage (44)
Blue-headed Vireo	52	204	DuPage (44)
Warbling Vireo	96*	2950*	Cook (263)*
Philadelphia Vireo	47*	149*	Champaign (15)
Red-eyed Vireo	94*	1982*	DuPage (134)
Blue Jay	98	5896	Cook (627)

Table 3 – Species accounts for the 2014 Spring Bird Count, *continued*

Species	Total Cos.	No. of Birds	High County (Total)
American Crow	99	4600	Cook (261)
Fish Crow	20	136	Union (31)
Horned Lark	89	1656	Clinton (210)
Purple Martin	88	2784	Franklin (237)
Tree Swallow	95	6474	DuPage (716)
N. Rough-winged Swallow	88	2630	Cook (326)
Bank Swallow	55	2273	McHenry (576)
Cliff Swallow	83*	8235*	Clinton (800)
Barn Swallow	99	7345	Cook (713)
Carolina Chickadee	40	576	2 Counties (45)
Black-capped Chickadee	60	3032	Winnebago (326)
Tufted Titmouse	95	2583	Union (140)
Red-breasted Nuthatch	12	23	Henry (4)
White-breasted Nuthatch	94	1918	DuPage(190)*
Brown Creeper	14	28	Cook (10)
House Wren	93	4265	Winnebago (427)
Winter Wren	4	6	Cook (3)
Sedge Wren	26	64	Cook (8)
Marsh Wren	36	158	Cook (22)
Carolina Wren	82	926	Union (110)
Bewick's Wren	1	1	Brown (1)
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	94	4422	DuPage (550)
Golden-crowned Kinglet	1	1	Champaign (1)
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	40	308	Cook (89)
Eastern Bluebird	95	2219	DuPage (123)
Veery	58	307	Cook (91)
Gray-cheeked Thrush	74*	353	Cook (65)
Swainson's Thrush	85	1177	Cook (220)
Hermit Thrush	28	76	Cook (13)
Wood Thrush	93	1206	Cook (81)
American Robin	99	31070	Cook (3150)
Gray Catbird	98	6379	Cook (813)*
Northern Mockingbird	68	569	Edwards (40)
Brown Thrasher	99	1881	Jo Daviess (103)
European Starling	99	18124	Cook (934)
American Pipit	17	129	White (34)
Cedar Waxwing	73*	2511	DuPage (423)
Smith's Longspur	2#	21*	Peoria (18)*
Ovenbird	76	621	Cook (128)
Worm-eating Warbler	28	95	Union (25)
Louisiana Waterthrush	58	247	Cook (19)
Northern Waterthrush	80*	1480	Coles (501)
Golden-winged Warbler	63*	638*	DuPage (69)
Blue-winged Warbler	58	401	DuPage (70)
Black-and-white Warbler	81	964	Cook (230)
Prothonotary Warbler	63	461	Union (28)
Swainson's Warbler	2	2	2 Counties (1)
Tennessee Warbler	89*	4030	DuPage (241)
Orange-crowned Warbler	27	173	Cook (67)
Nashville Warbler	74	2437*	DuPage (262)
Connecticut Warbler	5	6	Kane (2)
Mourning Warbler	14	27	DuPage (7)
Kentucky Warbler	63*	428	Union (69)
Common Yellowthroat	97	5902*	Cook (638)*
Hooded Warbler	24	79	Union (23)
American Redstart	90*	2869*	Cook (596)*
Cape May Warbler	43	320	Cook (76)
Cerulean Warbler	32	62	Jackson (8)
Northern Parula	89#	1312	Cook (102)
Magnolia Warbler	81#	1119	Cook (261)
Bay-breasted Warbler	49	239	Cook (43)
Blackburnian Warbler	61	363	Cook (71)
Yellow Warbler	91	3414	DuPage (552)*
Chestnut-sided Warbler	83*	1528*	Cook (305)*
Blackpoll Warbler	73	507	Union (41)
Black-throated Blue Warbler	12	40	Cook (18)
Palm Warbler	85	6370	Cook (2393)
Pine Warbler	31	78	2 Counties (8)
Yellow-rumped Warbler	83	5697	Cook (1469)
Yellow-throated Warbler	58#	257*	Williamson (21)
Prairie Warbler	19	186	Saline (31)
Black-throated Green Warbler	66	902	Cook (229)
Canada Warbler	25	80	Cook (25)*
Wilson's Warbler	50#	421*	Cook (155)*
Yellow-breasted Chat	72*	595	Williamson (54)
Spotted Towhee	1#	1#	Cass (1)
Eastern Towhee	96	2155	DuPage (146)
American Tree Sparrow	5	8	Carroll (3)
Chipping Sparrow	98	5349	Winnebago (463)
Clay-colored Sparrow	16	42	Cook (13)
Field Sparrow	99	2274	DuPage (141)
Vesper Sparrow	54	347	Winnebago (36)
Lark Sparrow	44	181	Henderson (17)
Savannah Sparrow	82#	1809*	Kane (282)
Grasshopper Sparrow	62	406	Jo Daviess (42)
Henslow's Sparrow	40	241	DuPage (35)
Nelson's Sparrow	1	1	McLean (1)
Fox Sparrow	1	1	DuPage (1)
Song Sparrow	97	4704	Cook (528)
Lincoln's Sparrow	53	348	Cook (139)
Swamp Sparrow	54	940	Cook (282)
White-throated Sparrow	79	1702	Cook (661)
Harris's Sparrow	3	3	3 Counties (1)
White-crowned Sparrow	90	2257	Cook (679)
Dark-eyed Junco	7	12	DeKalb (3)
Summer Tanager	73*	636*	Union (67)
Scarlet Tanager	90*	1069	DuPage (106)
Northern Cardinal	99	15041*	Cook (721)
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	95	3752	Cook (319)
Blue Grosbeak	54	233	Union (34)
Indigo Bunting	99	7924	Alexander (723)
Dickcissel	87*	3507	Alexander (272)
Bobolink	83*	2575	Madison (279)
Red-winged Blackbird	99	49353	McHenry (4062)
Eastern Meadowlark	99	3278	Will (191)
Western Meadowlark	21	107	JoDaviess (22)
Yellow-headed Blackbird	9	42	McHenry (10)
Rusty Blackbird	2	6	Cook (5)
Common Grackle	99	18874	Cook (1421)
Brown-headed Cowbird	99	9616	Cook (687)
Orchard Oriole	90*	847*	Pike (72)
Baltimore Oriole	97	5653	Cook (549)
Purple Finch	18	43	Adams (7)
House Finch	90	2059	Cook (374)
American Goldfinch	98	11168	Cook (1170)
Evening Grosbeak	1	2	Hancock (2)
House Sparrow	99	13227	Cook (1374)
Eurasian Tree Sparrow	29	309	McDonough (53)

Field Notes:

The 2014 Spring Migration

By Geoffrey A. Williamson

Red-necked Grebe drawing by Barbara Williams.

March was 5.5°F cooler than average, with ice from the cold winter taking its time to recede, but total precipitation during the month was below normal. April had typical temperatures but saw higher than average statewide rainfall with 5.15" recorded. Overall, May had normal temperatures but slightly lower than normal rainfall amounts, yet the early portion of the month had sustained southerly winds and above average temperatures that seemed to spur strong passerine movements.

For the sixth out of the last seven spring seasons, Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks were noted, with two groups totaling 14 birds reported. Also among the season's rare waterfowl were a Eurasian Wigeon and two Cinnamon Teals, all drakes. The second largest spring tally in 20 years of Greater Scaup occured 9 April at Illinois Beach State Park. Perhaps the late ice-out contributed to this many lingering into April. Winter ice on Lake Michigan that was slow to recede forced many sea ducks to inland locations. White-winged Scoters were reported from 25 counties, and among the 12 different counties in which Long-tailed Ducks were noted were five in the southern tier. Two drake Barrow's Goldeneyes, one each from Kane and Lake counties, were nice finds.

The 49 Red-necked Grebes detected was very exceptional. This total is nearly five times greater than the prior maximum of 10 for any season. The prior single party daily high count record of six birds was boosted by 50% when Wes Serafin and fellow observers noted nine birds between Saganshkee Slough and McGinnis Slough in the Palos region of southwest Cook County. This invasion was part of a broader phenomenon experienced over much of the Great Lakes region. Eared Grebe numbers were also good, with four present, while accompanying a Western Grebe at Emiquon was another *Aechmophorus* grebe that intriguingly showed characteristics of a Clark's.

The highest reported total of Black-crowned Night-Herons at the Lincoln Park, Chicago breeding colony, 96, was less than 25% of last year's total, likely the impact of changes to the available nest trees. Well north of their normal range were four Black Vultures detected in Sangamon County by Dave Bohlen and another photographed in Urbana by Greg Lambeth. An above average season total of six Golden Eagles were reported this spring.

Early arriving shorebirds included a Black-necked Stilt 26 March in Pulaski County and a Black-bellied Plover 12 April in Waukegan; both birds provided the second earliest arrival dates for their respective species. A Snowy Plover at Emiquon Preserve provided the ninth record. A healthy total of 11 Piping Plovers was reported. Another early shorebird was the Spotted Sandpiper 30 March at Lake Springfield which tied the fourth earliest arrival date. Wilson's Phalaropes were rather numerous. Most notable was the congregation of 20 seen at Rochelle in Ogle County, which was the fifth largest spring tally for the species.

A Little Gull at the Dresden Cooling Pond in Grundy County 26 March was a nice find, and good numbers of Great Black-backed Gulls lingered well into March along the south Chicago lakefront. Lingering somewhat longer than usual was a Snowy Owl in Ford County that was last noted 21 April, while the winter Coles County Prairie Falcon was not seen past the first week of March.

Matching the earliest ever arrival date for Olive-sided Flycatchers was a bird seen 25 April in Monroe County. This spring was the best on record for Western Kingbirds, with 15 reported statewide. Scissor-tailed Flycatchers put on a strong showing for the season with four present, but they were outdone by the fourth record of Fork-tailed Flycatcher with a bird present just for one day in Kane County. The fifth and sixth April records of Northern Shrike occurred this season, with the bird seen 6 April in southwest Cook County being the second latest ever. Multiple sightings of Fish Crow around Springfield during April and May, plus another heard at Sangchris Lake State Park, were unexpected.

This was the fourth consecutive spring for Red-breasted Nuthatches to remain at least to the last week of May. Four did so this year, three in the northern tier and one in the central. Smith's Longspurs also were late to depart, with three seen in Champaign County 10 May being one day shy of the record late departure date.

A number of warbler species had notably early arrivals this season. Among these were the second earliest Ovenbird 12 April, the third earlest Blue-winged Warbler 11 April, a Prothonotary Warbler that tied the second earliest arrival date of 4 April, a Palm Warbler 1 April in Chicago that tied the earliest arrival date for the northern tier and set the fourth earliest arrival overall, plus the fourth earliest Wilson's Warbler 23 April. Despite these early dates, the bulk of the warbler migration overall was later than usual and quite compressed

in time. Rarities included the seventh record of Black-throated Gray Warbler with a bird in Elgin 5 May and the sixth record of Townsend's Warbler, found in Bloomington 3 May.

Passing under the birding community's radar was a Western Tanager that took a week-long sojourn at a feeder in Palos Heights in Cook County at the end of April and start of May. Winter finches were basically absent this spring, with no crossbills or redpolls and only a handful or two of Pine Siskins.

This summary of the spring season would not be possible without the submission of sightings, field notes, and commentary by observers throughout the state, using a variety of means. The author thanks especially those who sent field notes directly to him. Also of great value are the growing number of observations entered into eBird (Sullivan et al. 2009), though these data lack the informative commentary and seasonal perspective that comes with the direct reports. In some instances information was gleaned from posts to the state's various birding list serves, or to the Illinois Birders Forum bulletin board or Facebook's Illinois Birding Network page. However, observers should understand that posting in these fora does not ensure that seasonal compilers will see the information, and indeed it is easy to overlook sightings that are not reported directly or via eBird. Individuals whose sighting information is included in this report are listed below. The observers for individual records in the report are credited by including their initials immediately following mention of the record. The order of the list is alphabetic in relation to the observers' initials. In some cases, the cited observer is an organization or institution. Abbreviations for these are listed separately.

List of Organizations and Institutions:

BWCL Busey Woods/Crystal Lake Park Bird Walks in Urbana (led by Greg S. Lambeth & Elizabeth J. Chato)

CBCM Chicago Bird Collision Monitors (data largely involving building strikes in Chicago)

NPBW North Pond Bird Walks: weekly surveys at North Pond in LincP, led and compiled by Geoffrey A. Williamson.

WIBW Wooded Island Bird Walks sponsored by the Chicago Audubon Society and compiled by Patricia A. Durkin

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The following abbreviations for records and observers have been used throughout this report:

EA	= earliest arrival(s)	♂	= male	juv(s)	= juvenal(s)/juvenile(s)
MC	= maximum count(s)	♪	= singing	m.ob.	= many observers
LD	= latest departure(s)	1st /2nd /...	= first plumage cycle/ second plumage cycle/...	:ph	= photographed
*	= documented record				
*	= specimen record	ad(s)	= adult(s)		
♀	= female	imm(s)	= immature(s)		

The following abbreviations for portions of place names have been used throughout this report:

Apt	Airport	LWR	Land & Water Reserve	SF	State Forest
CA	Conservation Area	NC	Nature Center	SFWA	State Fish and Wildlife Area
CP	County Park	NF	National Forest	Sl	Slough
Cem	Cemetery	NP	Nature Preserve	SNA	State Natural Area
Co(s)	County (Counties)	NWR	National Wildlife Refuge	SP	State Park
Crk	Creek	P	Park	SRA	State Recreation Area
FP	Forest Preserve	Pr	Prairie	Trl	Trail
FWA	Fish and Wildlife Area	R	River	Twp	Township
I	Island	Rd	Road	Wds	Woods
L	Lake	Res	Reservoir	WTP	Water Treatment Plant
L&D	Lock & Dam	SCA	State Conservation Area		

The following abbreviations for entire place names have been used throughout this report:

Adams Wildlife Sanctuary = Adams Wildlife Sanctuary, Springfield (Sangamon Co)

AMAX = Amax Coal Company property, Keensburg (Wabash Co)
AndaSl = Andalusia Slough Recreation Area (Rock Island Co)
ArcolaM = Arcola Marsh (Douglas Co)
AromaPark = Aroma Park (Kankakee Co)
BaileyWet = Bailey Wetland (Richland and Wayne Cos)
BaileyWet-R = Bailey Wetland (Richland Co)
BailcyWet-W = Bailey Wetland (Wayne Co)
Baker'sL = Baker's Lake, Barrington (Cook Co)
Bellrose = Frank Bellrose Waterfowl Reserve (Pulaski Co)
Bloomington = Bloomington (McLean Co)
BurnhamP = Burnham Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
BuseyWds = Busey Woods Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
CalumetP = Calumet Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
CarlL-C = Carlyle Lake (Clinton Co)
CarlL-F = Carlyle Lake (Fayette Co)
Champaign = Champaign (Champaign Co)
Chau = Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge (Mason Co)
Chi = Chicago (Cook Co)
CIPSL = Central Illinois Public Service Company Cooling Lake (Jasper Co)
ClintonL = Clinton Lake (DeWitt Co)
COLSP = Chain-o-Lakes State Park (Lake Co)
ColumbusP = Columbus Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
CONWR = Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge (Williamson Co)
CRSNA-J = Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson Co)
CRSNA-P = Cache River State Natural Area (Pulaski Co)
CrystalLk = Crystal Lake Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
CWRP = Calumet Water Reclamation, Chicago (Cook Co)
DouglasP = Douglas Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
DPCA = Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co)
DYNL = Dick Young/Nelson Lake Forest Preserve (Kane Co)
ECapeGir = East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co)
EForkL = East Fork Lake (Richland Co)
Elsen's Hill = Elsen's Hill, West DuPage Woods Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
Emiquon = The Nature Conservancy Emiquon Preserve (Fulton Co)
EPSP = El Paso Sewage Plant, El Paso (Woodford Co)
ESTL = East St. Louis (St. Clair Co)
EwingP = Ewing Park, Bloomington (McLean Co)
FarinaWet = Farina Wetland (Fayette Co)
Fermi = Fermilab (DuPage Co)
FerneClyffe = Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson Co)
Fox Ridge = Fox Ridge State Park (Coles Co)
FtMassac = Ft. Massac State Park (Massac Co)
FtSheridan = Ft. Sheridan Forest Prescrve (Lake Co)
Funk'sGrove = Funk's Grove Preserve lands (McLean Co)

Abbreviations for place names, *continued*

GillsonP = Gillson Park, Wilmette (Cook Co)
GlacialPk = Glacial Park Conservation Area (McHenry Co)
GLPSNA = Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area (Grundy Co)
GrantP = Grant Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
GLNTC = Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co)
GreeneVal = Greene Valley Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
HennepinL = Hennepin-Hopper Lake Restoration Area (Putnam Co)
HeronPond = Heron Pond - Wildcat Bluff Nature Preserve, Upper Cache River Unit, Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson Co)
HL = Horseshoe Lake State Park (Madison Co)
HLCA = Horseshoe Lake Conservation Area (Alexander Co)
HumboldtP = Humboldt Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
IBSP = Illinois Beach State Park (Lake Co)
ICCA = Iroquois County Conservation Area (Iroquois Co)
Jarvis = Bill Jarvis Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
JP = Jackson Park and vicinity, Chicago (Cook Co)
JubileeC = Jubilee College State Park (Peoria Co)
Kankakee = Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
KLMSNA = Kidd Lake Marsh State Natural Area (Monroe Co)
LCal = Lake Calumet area (Cook Co)
LCF = Lake County Fairgrounds (Lake Co)
LeVasseurP = LeVasseur Park-Perry Farm, Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
LincP = Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
LostMound = Lost Mound Unit, Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge (Jo Daviess and Carroll Cos)
LowdMil = Lowden-Miller State Forest (Ogle Co)
LRen = Lake Renwick (Will Co)
LShel = Lake Shelbyville (Moultrie Co)
LSpfld = Lake Springfield (Sangamon Co)
L&D 13 = Lock & Dam 13, Mississippi River (Whiteside Co)
MBC = Mackinaw Bluffs Corridor (Woodford Co)
McGinnis = McGinnis Slough (sw. Cook Co)
MeadbrkPk = Meadowbrook Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
MermetL = Mermet Lake Conservation Area (Massac Co)
Midewin = Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co)
MidSav = Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
MidFork = Middle Fork River Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)
MlrMdw = Miller Meadow Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
MissPalis = Mississippi Palisades State Park (Carroll Co)
MissR = Mississippi River (various counties)
MomenceSod = Momence sod farms (Kankakee Co)
MomenceWet = Momence Wetlands (Kankakee Co)
Montrose = Montrose Point, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
MoraineHills = Moraine Hills State Park (McHenry Co)
MArb = Morton Arboretum (DuPage Co)
Mskoda = Mskoda Sands Preserve, St. Anne Township (Kankakee Co)
Nachusa = Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co)
NoP = North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
NorthcrlyI = Northerly Island, Burnham Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
NWUniv = Northwestern University campus and lakefill, Evanston (Cook Co)
NygrenWet = Nygren Wetlands Preserve (Winnebago Co)
OakBot = Oakwood Bottoms, Shawnee National Forest (Jackson Co)
O'Fallon WTP = O'Fallon Wastewater Treatment Plant (St. Clair Co)
Palos = Palos area (sw. Cook Co)
PaulDouglas = Paul Douglas Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Peabody = Peabody River King State Fish and Wildlife Area (St. Clair Co)
PeacockM = marsh at Peacock Engineering Company warehouse, Bolinbrook (Will Co)
Pembroke = Pembroke Township (Kankakee Co)
PineHills = Pine Hills/LaRue Ecological Area (Union Co)
Pomona = Pomona area, Shawnee National Forest (Jackson Co)
PrRdg-J = Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Jasper Co)
PrRdg-M = Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Marion Co)
QC = Quad Cities and vicinity (Rock Island Co)
RainbowP = Rainbow Beach and Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
Rckfd = Rockford (Winnebago Co)
RendL-F = Rend Lake (Franklin Co)
RockCut = Rock Cut State Park (Winnebago Co)
RollinsSav = Rollins Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
Ryerson = Ryerson Conservation Area (Lake Co)
SagSl = Saganashkee Slough (Cook Co)
SaltCrk = Salt Creek Woods Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Sangchris = Sanchris Lake and Sangchris Lake State Park (Sangamon and Christian Cos)
SantaFe = Santa Fe Bottoms area (Clinton Co)
SBBO = Sand Bluff Bird Observatory, Shirland (Winnebago Co)
ShabbonaL = Shabbona Lake State Park (DeKalb Co)
SiloamSpr = Siloam Springs State Park (Adams and Brown Cos)
Spfld = Springfield (Sangamon Co)
Springbrk = Springbrook Prairie Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
SpringL = Spring Lake (Tazewell Co)
StarvedRock = Starved Rock State Park (LaSalle County)
SteelworkersP = Steelworkers Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
TOT = Trail of Tears State Forest (Union Co)
UMRNWR = Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge (Carroll Co)
Urbana = Urbana (Champaign Co)
Wauk = Waukegan (Lake Co)
WhalonL = Whalon Lake Forest Preserve (Will Co)
WhispWil Whispering Willows Park and environs, Bourbonnais (Kankakee Co)
WinthropH Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)

Tundra Swans. Whalon Lake. Will County. 29 March 2014. Photo by Brian Tang.

BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK

MC: 9, Yorkville (Kendall Co), 21-30 May, (IK, JJD, SDB:ph, *GAW:ph, m.ob.:ph); 5, BaileyWet, 29 May (CLH). **Note**: The birds at BaileyWet were seen in both Richland and Wayne Cos.

Greater White-fronted Goose

EA: 12 Jan, se. Illinois (CLH); 20 Feb, Chau (AGt); 22 Feb, LSpfld (HDB); 22 Feb, East Peoria (Tazewell Co) (TH); 22 Feb (62), LeVasseurP (JBH); 23 Feb (9), *Grundy* (JBH). **MC**: 6000, ClintonL, 10 Mar (SDB); 4280, *Sangamon*, 2 Mar (HDB); 3500, LShel, 7 Mar (TAM); 3035, Chau (RG&SNB). **LD**: 1 Jun, Emiquon (JIE); 31 May, CarlL-F (MSS); 28 May, LSpfld (HDB); 21 May (2), Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (KAM); 8 May, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co) (GP:ph); 26 Apr (2), ArcolaM (AFS); 18 Apr (injured) CarlL-C (DMK).

Snow Goose

EA: 12 Jan, se. Illinois (CLH); 20 Feb (300), *Sangamon* (HDB); 20 Feb, *Shelby* (KAF); 22 Feb (1400), *Coles* (TDF); 22 Feb (3960), Guzy Pr Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co) (TDF, TAM); 25 Feb (300), Chau (AGt). **MC**: 500,000, CarlL-C, 6 Mar (DMK); 86,500, *Sangamon*, 22 Feb (HDB); 27,810 (14,539 white morph, 13,271 blue morph), Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB). **LD**: 31 May, DYNL (DL); 31 May (injured), HL (FRH); 31 May (60; injured & present since 12 Apr), CarlL-C (DMK); 27 May (4), *Fayette* (MAM); 25 May (17), Emiquon (CD); 11 May (3), AMAX (CLH); 11 May, LSpfld (HDB). **Notes**: Very large numbers were reported at several areas of the state in mid-Mar, including the following estimates: 100,000 to 200,000, Chau, 9-17 Mar (JJD, AGt, JL, m.ob.); 100,000, Emiquon, 17 Mar (DK, LY); 100,000, LSpfld, 15 Mar (NG, PAM); 100,000, NewtonL SFWA (Jasper Co), 7 Mar (NG).

Ross's Goose

EA: 21 Feb (3), *Grundy* (JBH); 22 Feb (5), *Sangamon* (HDB); 22 Feb, LeVasseurP (JBH); 22 Feb (4), LShel (TDF, TAM); 23 Feb (2), CalumetP (AG). **MC**: 60, Chau, 7 Mar (KBR); 17, LShel, 7 Mar (TAM); 15, NewtonL SFWA, 7 Mar (NG); 12, Guzy Pr Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co), 22 Feb (TDF, TAM); 12, *Sangamon*, 2 Mar (HDB); 12, HL, 15 Mar (WCR); 10, LSpfld, 15 Mar (PAM); 9, Riddott (Stephenson Co), 29 Mar (AFS). **LD**: 25 May (2), Emiquon (CD); 21 May, EPSP (BM:ph); 8 May, *DeKalb* (NB); 7 May, LSpfld (HDB); 5 May, *Bureau* (DH); 30 Apr, EForkL (CLH). **Others**: Towanda (McLean Co), 27 Mar (BM:ph);*Sangamon* (2 blue morph), 2 & 10 Mar (HDB); Chau (blue morph), 14 Mar (KBR); CarlL-C (1-4), 6-22 Mar (DMK).

Cackling Goose

EA: 22 Feb (28), LeVasseurP (JBH); 22 Feb (5), Fermi (WP); 22 Feb (5), *Grundy* (DFS); 25 Feb, Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 250, Evergreen L (McLean Co), 1 Mar (WH); 120, Peabody, 9 Mar (DM). **LD**: 17 Apr (8), *DeKalb* (NB); 5 Apr (8), *Putnam* (DFS).

Canada Goose

MC: 6284, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 18 Mar (RAB); 6269, ClintonL, 7 Mar (MEF); 1828, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB).

Mute Swan

EA: 12 Mar, MattoonL (Cumberland Co) (RB). **MC**: 40, DPCA, 7 Mar (AFS); 40, BannerM FWA (Fulton Co), 11 Apr (GT); 35, SpringL, 25 May (WR); 30, Emiquon, 25 May (CD).

Trumpeter Swan

EA: 11 Mar (11), LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 85, Emiquon, 15 Mar (JJD et al.); 30, SenachwineL (Putnam Co), 21 Mar (DFS); 30, Chau, 13 Mar (EC). **Other**: Fremont Twp (Lake Co) (3), 22 Mar (SDB, SLD); Towanda (McLean Co) (2), 21-30 Mar (BM:ph et al.); HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (2), 17 Mar (BP).

Tundra Swan

EA: 6 Mar, HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (BP:ph, DLT); **MC**: 160, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 39, Winters Wetland CA (Winnebago Co), 5 Apr (DTW, BCW); 34, WhalonL, 29 Mar (DK); 30, DPCA, 8 Mar (ASA, JL). **LD**: 28 Apr, Carson Sl (Kane Co) (BL); 7 Apr, Emiquon (KAM).

Wood Duck

EA: 20 Feb (3), LSpfld (HDB); 22 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 1 Mar, HL (FRH); 16 Mar (6), Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 172, MissR (Whiteside Co) (KJM); 84, Chau, 9 May (RG&SNB); 45, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 40, Sauer Prairie Kame FP (Kane Co), 30 Mar (ASA, SAC); 40, *Stephenson*, 26 Mar (DTW).

Gadwall

EA: 19 Feb (10), LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 6607, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 915, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 750, Topeka (Fulton Co), 24 Mar (AS, NG). **LD**: 6 Jun (♂), NoP (JIN); 21 May (♂), LSpfld (HDB).

Nine Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks. Yorkville. Kendall County. 27 May 2014. Photo by Steven D. Bailey.

EURASIAN WIGEON

EA: 4-12 Apr (♂), BannerM (Fulton Co) (MI, EC:ph, NAL:ph, m.ob.).

American Wigeon

EA: 18 Feb (2), LSpfld (HDB); 22 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 500, Lewistown (Fulton Co), 22 Mar (SA, MJW); 445, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 200, LShel, 22 Mar (TAM). **LD**: 31 May (♂), *Lawrence* (CLH); 31 May (2), HennepinL (TH).

Gadwall X American Wigeon

LCal, 10-11 Apr (WJM:ph).

American Black Duck

MC: 15, Brandon Road L&D (Will Co), 7 Mar (ASA); 12, Fermi, 20 Mar (PAM); 12, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 16 Mar (GP). **LD**: 16 May, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co) (EGy); 4 May, Midewin (JAS); 2 May, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co) (TH).

Mallard

EA: 27,573, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 4000, CarlL-C, 8-9 Mar (DMK); 4000, CONWR, 5 Mar (JGd); 2002, *Rock Island*, 13 Mar (KJM); 1986, ClintonL, 14 Mar (MEF).

American Black Duck X Mallard

JP (2♂), 23 Mar (PRC).

Blue-winged Teal

EA: 8 Mar, *Lawrence* (MSS); 11 Mar (2), *Johnson* (KAM); 11 Mar (♂), LSpfld (HDB); 12 Mar, Charleston WTP (Coles Co) (TDF); 14 Mar (2), LincP (JV). **MC**: 4000, CarlL-C, 12 Apr (DMK); 950, Wayne (Wayne Co), 21 Apr (KAM); 280, Two Rivers NWR, 12 Apr (DM); 273, Bellrose, 11 Apr (MM-L); 250, Emiquon, 19 Apr (ASA, JL); 235, Chau, 18 Apr (RG&SNB). **LD**: 4 Jun (3), *Sangamon* (HDB); 26 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 18 May, HL (FRH); 14 May (2), JP (PRC).

Cinnamon Teal

EA: 9 Apr (♂), Melvin Price L&D 26 (Madison Co) (JPU:ph, KAM); 22 Apr (♂), Champaign (JK:ph, PB).

Northern Shoveler

EA: 20 Feb (7), LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 1200, CarlL-C, 12 Apr (DMK); 950, Bellrose, 11 Apr (MM-L); 930, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 500, LShel, 22 Mar (TAM); 477, MoredockL & KLMSNA (Monroe Co), 2 Apr (SDB); 450, *Pulaski*, 26 Mar (KAM); 440, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 340, O'Fallon WTP, 31 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 4 Jun (4♂, 2♀), *Sangamon* (HDB); 23 May (4), HennepinL (EWW); 18 May (3♂), Rochelle (Ogle Co) (DTW).

Northern Pintail

EA: 17 Feb (17), LSpfld (HDB); 8 Mar, HL (FRH); 11 Mar (3), PeoriaL (Peoria Co) (EC). **MC**: 10,216, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 2000, CarlL-C, 6-8 Mar (DMK); 1000, Emiquon, 13 Mar (EC); 600, Topeka (Fulton Co), 24 Mar (AS, NG); 475, MissR (Mercer Co), 17 Mar (KJM). **LD**: 20 May (2♂), BigL (Brown Co) (SDB); 28 Apr, LSpfld (HDB).

Green-winged Teal

EA: 22 Feb (22), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 16,705, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 1200, CarlL-C, 22 Mar & 12 Apr (DMK). **LD**: 6 Jun, Montrose (DKA, RDH); 26 May, Fermi (ASA); 23 May (♂), HennepinL (EWW).

White-winged Scoters. East Fork Lake, Olney. Richland County. 3 March 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

White-winged Scoter. Saganashkee Slough. Cook County. 11 April 2014. Photo by Paul Dacko.

Cinnamon Teal, center. Mel Price Lock & Dam. Madison County. 9 April 2014. Photo by Joshua Uffman.

Canvasback

EA: 1 Mar (3), JP (RLS). **MC**: 10,000, CarlL-C, 15 Mar (DMK); 4000, Lewistown (Fulton Co), 22 Mar (SA, MJW); 2500, Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co),19 Mar (CD); 2000, Emiquon, 22 Mar (NS, DE); 2000, MissR (Mercer Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 1540, MissR (Whiteside Co), 23 Mar (KJM); 1125, HL, 14 Mar (FRH); 940, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB). **LD**: 10 Jun, Emiquon (LJK, JRRS); 7 Jun, Alton (Madison Co) (WCR); 21 May, HennepinL (KAM); 7 May, O'Fallon WTP (GH).

Redhead

EA: 21 Feb (19), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 6000, CarlL-C, 15 Mar (DMK); 4000, Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co),19 Mar (CD); 1500, Emiquon, 24 Mar (AS, NG); 1000, Lewistown (Fulton Co), 22 Mar (SA, MJW); 450, SpringL Bottoms (Tazewell Co), 24 Mar (AS, NG). **LD**: 30 May (♂), *Whiteside* (DH); 25 May, Emiquon (CD); 23 May (8), HennepinL (EWW); 19 May (2♀), LSpfld (HDB); 4 May (6), CarlL-C (DMK).

Ring-necked Duck

EA: 17 Feb (16), *Sangamon* (HDB); 14 Mar (30), StarvedRock (SDB); 15 Mar, JP (RLS). **MC**: 10,000, Lewistown (Fulton Co), 22 Mar (SA, MJW); 5000, Spunky Bottoms (Brown Co), 19 Mar (CD); 3558, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 3000, Emiquon, 23 Mar (ASA, SA, MJW); 1000, HL, 10 Mar (WCR). **LD**: 5 Jun (♀), *Sangamon* (HDB); 30 May (♂), HennepinL (JL); 25 May, Emiquon (CD); 18 May, CarlL-C (DMK).

Greater Scaup

MC: 2900, IBSP, 11 Apr (JPL); 950, Highland Park (Lake Co), 11 Mar (DRD); 600, SteelworkersP, 16 Mar (AG); 410, RainbowP, 17 Mar (DFS). **LD**: 25 May – 16 Jun (ad ♀), LCal (WJM); 10 May (2), Wauk (PWS); 16 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK). **Others**: HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (2), 3-6 Mar (BP, DLT); EForkL (5), 5 Mar (CLH).

Lesser Scaup

EA: 20 Feb (68), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 8000, HL, 15 Mar (WCR); 6000, CarlL-C, 5 Apr (DMK); 6000, BaldwinL (St. Clair Co), 1 Apr (SDB); 3200, Chau, 22 Mar (KAM); 3049, MissR (Mercer Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 1700, *Sangamon*, 14 Mar (HDB); 1511, MissR (Rock Island Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 1500, Emiquon, 22 Mar (NS, DE); 1494, ClintonL, 14 Mar (MEF). **LD**: 31 May (5), Emiquon (BM); 29 May, LCal (WJM); 28 May, PeacockM (ASA); 27 May, JP (RLS); 26 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 25 May, HL (FRH).

Surf Scoter

EA: 8 Mar, Brandon Rd L&D (Will Co) (JAS). **LD**: 25 May, Emiquon (CD); 22 Apr, Lockport (Will Co) (ASA); 10 & 16 Apr, Iola (Clay Co) (CLH); 9 Apr, Montrose (LGM), 4 Apr, GrantP (DFS).

White-winged Scoter

MC: 143, Blue Island (Cook Co), 1 Mar (JIE); 126, Montrose, 3 Mar (FRM); 100, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co), 23 Mar (VS); 60, Brandon Road L&D (Will Co), 9 Mar (NG); 26, WinthropH, 2 Mar (NC); 19, ClintonL, 10 Mar (TH); 5, CarlL-C, 6 & 9 Mar (DMK). **LD**: 5 Jun (imm ♂), LCal (WJM); 26 May (2), LCal (DFS); 19 May, Montrose (RJD); 18 May (2), IBSP (EWW); 26 Apr - 3 May, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 30 Apr, *Tazewell* (HMH); 30 Apr, Carlyle (Clinton Co) (KAM). **Others**: Three Oaks Recreation Area (McHenry Co) (3), 15-16 Mar (DBJ, UWG, m.ob.); WinthropH (5), 30 Mar (EWW); IBSP (6), 3 Apr (EWW); Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (3), 1 Mar (PAM); Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (3), 13 Mar (PAM); LincP (8), 16 Mar (DTW, PD); SagSl (4), 1 Apr (WSS); JP (3), 5 Apr (RLS); HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); Brookfield Twp (LaSalle Co), 16 Mar (DFS); Dresden L&D (Grundy Co) (7), 15 Mar (DFS); Lockport (Will Co) (11), 2 Mar (EWW); Plainfield (Will Co) (3), 4 Apr (EWW); Emiquon, 23 Mar (ASA, SA, MJW); Lower PeoriaL (Tazewell Co) (5), 17 Mar (MI, KBR); EvergreenL (McLean & Woodford Cos) (ad ♀), 23-29 Mar (ASA, SA, MJW, APC et al.); Kankakee (5), 17 Mar (JBH); LSpfld (8), 4 Mar (HDB); DecaturL (Macon Co) (2), 14 Mar (MT); Eagle Creek SP (Shelby Co) (2), 7 Mar (NG); CharlestonL (Coles Co), 16 Mar - 6 Apr (RB, TDF et al.); HL, 1 Mar (EWW); CIPSL, 11 Apr (CLH); EForkL (10), 8 Mar (CLH); *Wabash*, 4 Apr (MSS); *Franklin* (2), 7 Mar (AGt); CONWR, 30 Mar (JGd).

Black Scoter

MC: 7, NWUniv (Cook Co), 27 Apr (JIE); 5, Montrose, 3 Mar (FRM); 2, Dresden Cooling L (Will Co), 3 Mar (DTW). **LD**: 27 Apr (7), see above; 21 Apr, GrantP (DEW). **Others**: Joliet (Will Co), 6-15 Mar (ASA, UWG, m.ob.); LSpfld, 15 Mar & 1-11 Apr (NG & HDB resp).

Long-tailed Duck

EA: 8 Mar (♂), LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 7, WinthropH, 1 Mar (SR); 6, IBSP, 11 Mar (PWS); 5 (♂ & 4♀), Charleston WTP (Coles Co), 1-10 Mar (TD, GT, RB:ph, TDF, SDB). **LD**: 20 Apr, Montrose (SP); 8 Apr, Evanston (Cook Co) (CW); 2 Apr, GrantP (BS). **Others**: Rock Falls (Whiteside Co), 10-11 Mar (DH, DTW); JP, 1 Mar (RLS); MesaL (Wabash Co) (2), 6-7 Mar (CLH, MSS); EPSP, 16-22 Mar (DH, TH, BM m.ob.); AndersonL (Fulton Co), 19 Mar (AGt); ClintonL, 7 Mar (MEF); LSpfld (♀ & ♂), 14-17 & 20 Mar resp (HDB); HL, 6-15 Mar (GH, m.ob.); *Franklin*, 6-7 Mar (MSS, m.ob.); MermetL, 1 Mar (KAM).

Long-tailed Ducks. Charleston Water Treatment Ponds. Coles County. 2 March 2014. Photo by Ron Bradley.

Long-tailed Duck. Montrose Harbor, Chicago. Cook County. 4 March 2014. Photo by Jackie Bowman.

Bufflehead

EA: 21 Feb (8), *Sangamon* (HDB); 9 Mar (♂), JP (PRC). **MC**: 337, MissR (Whiteside Co), 23 Mar (KJM); 230, MissR (Rock Island Co), 23 Mar (KJM); 150, SpringL Bottoms (Tazewell Co) (AS, NG); 150, MissR (Mercer Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 135, HL, 25 Mar (FRH); 130, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 121, Chau, 14 Mar (RG&SNB); 100, Emiquon, 24 Mar (AS, NG); 80 & 60, CarlL-C, 12 Apr & 15 Mar resp (DMK). **LD**: 20 May, SpringL (DHr); 17 May, McHenry Dam (McHenry Co) (KML); 15 May (♀), Wauk (EWW); 10 May, RollinsSav (GLH); 10 May, JP (RLS); 10 May, *Bureau* (DEW); 27 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK).

Common Goldeneye

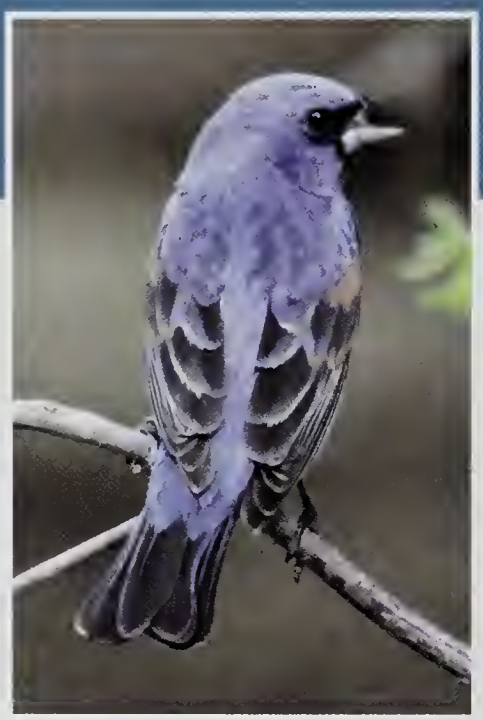
MC: 3000, MissR (Whiteside Co), 13 Mar (KJM); 1200, CarlL-C, 6 Mar (DMK); 400, ChicagoR (Cook Co), 12 Mar (SBB); 370, MissR (Rock Island Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 300, HennR (Putnam Co) (JAS). **LD**: 25 May, LRen (CG:ph); 25 May, Emiquon (PAM); 17 May, Montrose (RD); 17 May, MoraineHills (NK); 5 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK).

Four Black Scoters, center. Montrose Harbor, Chicago. Cook County. 3 March 2014. Photo by Fran Morel.

Bay-breasted Warbler.
North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago.
Cook County. 19 May 2014.
Photo by John Picken.

Pine Warbler.
Fabyan Forest Preserve.
Kane County. 27 April 2014.
Photo by Chris Madsen.

Photo Gallery: **Spring Colors**



Blue Grosbeak.
Richland County.
12 May 2014.
Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Least Bittern.
North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago.
Cook County. 21 May 2014.
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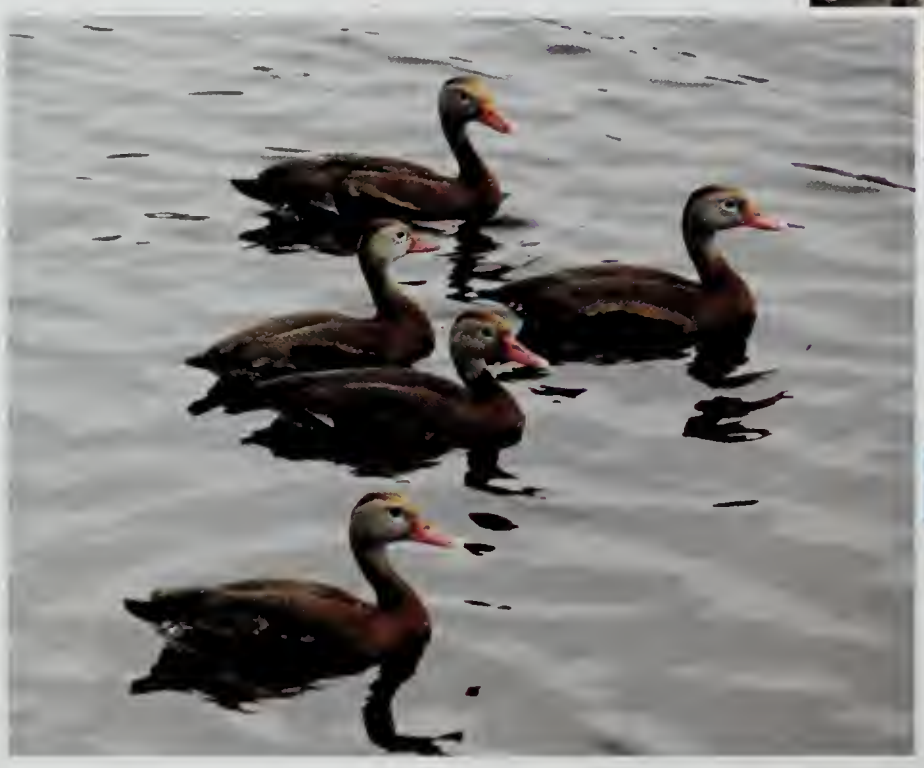


Four of nine
Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks.
Kendall County. 27 May 2014.
Photo by Steven D. Bailey.

Prairie Warbler. Hennepin Township. Putnam County. 26 May 2014. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher. West Eden Road, Cache River State Natural Area. Johnson County. 11 May 2014. Photo by Steven D. Bailey.

Green Heron. Rock Cut State Park. Winnebago County. 25 April 2014. Photo by John Longhenry.

Long-billed Dowitcher. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 3 May 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Long-tailed Duck. Montrose Harbor, Chicago. Cook County. 4 March 2014. Photo by Jackie Bowman.

BARROW'S GOLDENEYE

LD: 15-30 Mar (♂), West Dundee (Kane Co) (BL:ph, SDB m.ob.); 23 Mar (♂), Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (WFS, NC:ph, SDB, SLD et al.).

Hooded Merganser

MC: 95, Lepertown (Bureau Co), 23 Mar (PAM); 83, Lawrenceville WTP (Lawrence Co), 7 Mar (NG); 70, LSpfld, 4 Mar (TR).

Common Merganser

MC: 2009, MissR (Whiteside Co), 13 Mar (KJM); 400, *Sangamon*, 1 Mar (HDB); 400, Emiquon, 15 Mar (PAM); 365, ClintonL, 7 Mar (MEF); 350, DecaturL (Macon Co), 15 Mar (NG); 350, GrantP, 3 Mar (DFS); 300, PeoriaL (Peoria Co), 13 Mar (EC); 300, CarlL-C, 9 Mar (DMK). **LD**: 17 Jun (♀), LSpfld (HDB); 17 May (♂), Leepertown Twp (Bureau Co) (UWG); 4 May, RollinsSav (ASt); 28 Apr (♂ and ♀), CIPSL (CLH); 5 Apr, LShel (TDF, TAM).

Red-breasted Merganser

EA: 9 Feb (7), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 404, ChicagoR (Cook Co), 4 Mar (TW); 300, SteelworkersP, 13 Apr (AG); 200, CarlL-C, 16 & 30 Mar (DMK:ph). **LD**: 27 May (♀), *Sangamon* (HDB); 25 May (2), Montrose (MCD); 24 May (4), Wauk (BJS); 22 May (17), Ft Sheridan FP (Lake Co), (MF); 11 May (2♀), EForkL (CLH).

Ruddy Duck

MC: 8000 & 2000, CarlL-C, 5 Apr & 15 Mar resp (DMK); 3264, Chau, 12 Apr (RG&SNB); 1010, *Sangamon*, 5 Apr (HDB); 925, CarlL-C, 5 Apr (KAM); 500, Emiquon, 15 Mar (PAM). **LD**: 26 May (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 25 May (5), LSpfld (HDB).

Barrow's Goldeneye with courting male Common Goldeneye. West Dundee. Kane County. 21 March 2014. Photo by John Longhenry.

Hooded Merganser x Common Goldeneye hybrid. North Shore Channel, Chicago. Cook County. 17 March 2014. Photo by Matthew Cvetas.

Northern Bobwhite

MC: 20, *Clay*, 6 Mar (MSS); 18, PrRdg-J, 2 Mar (AGt); 16, *Greene*, 3 May (CAT); 8, CarlL-C, 24 May (DMK).

Gray Partridge

No reports.

Ring-necked Pheasant

MC: 9, *Montgomery*, 10 May (RLJ); 9, *Knox*, 10 May (PS). **Other**: Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 21 Apr (SDB). **Other**: CarlL-C (1-2), 8 Mar – 25 May (DMK).

Greater Prairie-Chicken

MC: 20, PrRdg-J, 31 Mar (RES); 9, PrRdg-M, 24 Apr (PAM et al.); 4, Bartel LWR (Marion Co), 17 Apr (ASA, JL).

Wild Turkey

MC: 62, HeideckeL SFWA (Grundy Co), 23 Mar (AFS); 55, *Johnson*, 1 Mar (KAM); 29, HL, 10 Mar (KAM); 29, CONWR, 5 Mar (JGd).

Red-throated Loon

MC: 2, Montrose, 4-5 Mar & 9 Apr (JL, JDW, SBB, JIE & LGM resp); 2, Lockport (Will Co), 11 Mar (ASA, JL). **LD**: 3 May, Ft Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (MF); 13 Apr, IBSP (BJS); 11 Apr (2), ClintonL (MEF); 10 Apr, LSpfld (HDB).

Common Loon

EA: 11 Mar, RendL-F (KAM); 14 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH); 20 Mar (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 21 Mar, CharlestonL (Coles Co) (TDF); 22 Mar (2), BloomingtonL (McLean Co) (BM); 22 Mar, JP (RLS); 22 Mar, SteelworkersP (AG). **MC**: 66, GriswoldL (McHenry Co) (KM); 30, FoxL (Lake Co), 6 Apr (NT); 26, PistakeeL (Lake Co), 5 Apr (BJS); 26, PetiteL (Lake Co), 12 Apr (DBJ); 13, EForkL, 26 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 10 Jun, CharlestonL (Coles Co) (RB); 2 Jun, EForkL (CLH); 30 May, HennepinL (JL); 24 May (2), LRen (BMs); 21 May, EvergreenL (Woodford Co) (BM); 19 May, CIPSL (CLH); 19 May (imm), LSpfld (HDB).

Pied-billed Grebe

EA: 21 Mar, JP (RLS); 30 Mar, WinthropH (EWW); 6 Apr (2), Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 87, MermetL, 4 Apr (KAM); 83, RockCut, 14 Apr (DTW); 35, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 26, *Sangamon*, 14 Mar (HDB); 21, Chau, 18 Apr (RG&SNB). **LD**: 10 May, JP (RLS); 9 May, LSpfld (HDB).

Horned Grebe

EA: 27 Feb, Montrose (RJD); 1 Mar, HL (EWW); 12 Mar (2), *Coles* Apt (RB); 16 Mar (2), JP (PRC). **MC**: 36, *Sangamon*, 3 Apr (HDB); 33, GrantP, 17 Apr (JIE, JDW, AZ); 30, Emiquon, 24 Mar (AS, NG); 25, SteelworkersP, 10 Apr (AG); 24, ClintonL, 16 Mar (NS et al.); 21, MermetL, 4 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 25 May then summering, Jarvis (LGM, SDB); 18 May, IBSP (BJS); 7 May, EPSP (TH); 1 May, LSpfld (HDB).

Red-necked Grebe

EA: 3-5 Mar, Montrose (LGM, m.ob.); 6 Mar, HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (DLT, BP:ph); 6-9 Mar, LShel (TDF, m.ob.); 6 Mar (2), *Lawrence* (MSS); 7-8 Mar (3), EForkL (CLH:ph); 8 Mar, LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 7, SagSl, 6 Apr (WSS, ASA, m.ob.); 5 & 4, EForkL, 15 & 26 Mar (CLH & SDB resp); 3, LSpfld, 5 Apr (HDB); 3, MermetL, 9 Apr (KAM); 2-3, ClintonL, 7-15 Mar (JL, NG). **LD**: 6 & 13 Apr, SteelworkersP (AG); 11 Apr, Thomson Causeway (Carroll Co) (EB); 8-9 Apr, Kankakee (JBH); 7-9 Apr, Frank Holten SP (St. Clair Co) (MSS et al.); 9 Apr, LSplfd (HDB); 29 Mar (2), EForkL (CH, GH). **Others**: Wauk, 16 Mar (BJS); ChicagoR, Chi, 11-26 Mar (SJH, m.ob.); Montrose, 15-26 Mar (MCD, LGM, m.ob.); Wilmette (Cook Co), 29 Mar (SWS); McGinnis (2), 6 Apr (WSS, m.ob.); *Marshall*, 21 Mar (DFS); Brandon Rd L&D (Will Co) (1-2), 7-8 Mar (JVy, m.ob.); DPCA, 8-22 Mar (ASA, JL, m.ob.);

Red-necked Grebe. Homer Lake Forest Preserve. Champaign County. 3 March 2014. Photo by Brock Price.

Bolingbrook (Will Co) (2), 30 Mar – 4 Apr (DFS, EWW); *Tazewell* (2), 8 Mar (JP); LSpfld (2), 10, 11, 16, 19, & 30 Mar (HDB); Charleston WTP (Coles Co), 2-5 Apr (RB:ph, TDF, JL); CharlestonL (Coles Co) (2), 4-5 Apr (RB, TDF, EG, et al.); CarlL-C, 14 Mar (CE); *Clay*, 28 Mar (MSS); MermetL (1-2), 11 Mar – 4 Apr (KAM, m.ob.).

Eared Grebe

EA: 17 Mar, Emiquon (KBR); 19 Mar, MermetL (FKB); 24 Mar, ArcolaM (SDB). **Others**: 17-24 Apr, ArcolaM (ASA, JL, m.ob.).

Western Grebe

LD: 25 May – 20 Jun, Emiquon (JAS et al., m.ob.).

Western/Clark's Grebe

Emiquon, 25-28 May (JAS, m.ob.) (different bird than the Western Grebe at the same location).

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

[LSplfd (non-ad), 2-28 May (HDB); CarlL-C (imm), 13 Apr (DMK:ph)].

Double-crested Cormorant

EA: 5 Mar (3), LSpfld (HDB); 9 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC**: 8000, CarlL-C, 5 Apr – 31 May (DMK); 2000, *Sangamon*, 11 & 18 Apr (HDB); 2000, CONWR, 26 Apr (KAM); 1360, GrantP, 6 May (DEW); 1120, Lake Villa (Lake Co) (RAB); 1000, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 1000, LincP, 9 May (MCD).

American White Pelican

EA: 9 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 19-22 Feb (7), LSpfld (HDB); 12 Mar (11), MattoonL (Cumberland Co) (RB); 14 Mar (10), StarvedRock (SDB). **MC**: 8000, 3000 & 2000, CarlL-C, 30 Mar & 15 Mar & 17-21 Apr (DMK); 950, HennepinL, 25 Apr (DFS); 900, New Athens (St. Clair Co), 29 Mar (TUM); 825, LShel, 5 Apr (TAM); 600, StarvedRock, 16 Mar (SDB); 500, Emiquon, 25 May (CD). **Other**: CharlestonL (Coles Co) (150), 4-5 Apr (RB, TDF, et al.).

American Bittern

EA: 31 Mar, OakBot (KAM); 8 Apr, Fermi (PAM). **MC**: 4, BaileyWet, 23 Apr (CLH); 4, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 10 May (SJH, KRW); 3, PrRdg-J, 17 Apr (CLH); 3, Guzy Prairie Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co), 5 May (TDF). **LD**: 13 May, CrystalLk (GSL et al.).

Least Bittern

EA: 9 Apr, *Monroe* (C&PD); 25 Apr, Heron CP (Vermilion Co) (BSr); 26 Apr, MermetL (PAM); 5 May, NoP (EK). **MC**: 4, Emiquon, 29 May (EC); 3, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS).

Great Blue Heron

MC: 150, CarlL-C, 26 May (DMK); 100, LRen, 5 Apr (DK); 82, Blackberry Maples FP (Kane Co), 18 Apr (ATB); 57, Baker'sL, 10 May (GAW et al.); 57, *Sangamon*, 25 May (HDB).

Great Egret

EA: 18 Mar, McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM); 19 Mar, Montrose (LGM); 20 Mar, *St. Clair* (KAM). **MC**: 300, LRen, 24 Apr (ASA); 207, Baker'sL, 10 May (GAW et al.). **LD**: 24 May (2), St. Joseph Wetlands (Champaign Co) (JBt;ph); 13 May, JP (PRC).

Snowy Egret

EA: 4 Apr, Little Black Sl SNA (Johnson Co) (JL); 12 Apr, HL (NW); 26 Apr (2), LRen (ML). **MC**: 8, Bellrose, 15 May (MM-L). **LD**: 29 May, LCal (WJM).

Little Blue Heron

EA: 2 Apr, EvergreenL (McLean Co) (SA); 5 Apr (3), O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (CH, GH); 20 Apr, LCal (AG). **MC**: 35, Silver Crk Preserve (St. Clair Co.), 21 May (GH); 30, HL, 3 May (FRH).

Cattle Egret

EA: 4 Apr, CONWR (KAM); 4 Apr (3), HL (EWW); 15 Apr, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co) (AFS); 17 Apr, Crittenden Twp (Champaign Co) (RB). **MC**: 80, Millstadt (St. Clair Co), 8 May (DMK); 52, Cahokia Mounds SP (St. Clair Co), 3 May (GH); 17, HL, 10 May (FRH). **LD**: 26 May, Fermi (UWG); 24 May, Monticello Rd Field Station (Champaign Co) (JBt:ph, DLT). **Others**: ThompsonL (Fulton Co), 8 May (EWW); Beverly (Adams Co), 8 May (EWW).

Green Heron

EA: 4 Apr, *Massac* (JL); 9 Apr, Grassy Sl LWR (Johnson Co) (KAM); 12 Apr, JP (WIBW). **MC**: 22, LCal, 10 May (SBB, WJM, JIN); 12, DouglasP, 10 May (EDG, AG); 12, Montrose, 22 May (LGM); 10, Heyworth (McLean Co) (WH).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

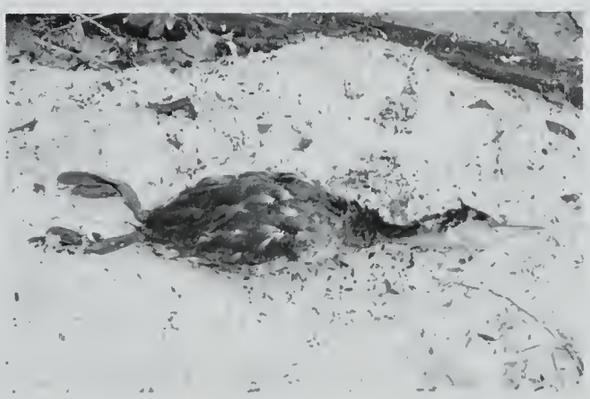
EA: 30 Mar, HL (FRH); 25 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 96, LincP, 11 May (ML); 20, JP, 19 Apr (WIBW); 13, FtSheridan (MF).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

EA: 6 Apr, HL (FRH); 11 Apr, OakBot (KAM); 13 Apr (3), Porter Bottoms (Johnson Co) (MM-L). **MC**: 11, OakBot, 16 May (DTW); 4, Marion Church Sl (Edwards Co), 30 May (RES). **Others**: *Edwards*, 28 May (CLH).

Red-necked Grebe.
Montrose Harbor, Chicago.
Cook County. 15 March 2014
Photo by Matthew Cvetas.

Dead Red-necked Grebe.
Montrose Harbor, Chicago.
Cook County. 21 March 2014
Photo by Steve Spitzer.



Black Vultures. Lake Springfield. Sangamon County. 31 March 2014. Photo by H. David Bohlen courtesy Illinois State Museum/ Springfield.

Black Vulture. Busey Woods, Urbana. Champaign County. 7 May 2014. Photo by Greg Lambeth.

Glossy Ibis

EA: 15 Apr (4), see below. **MC**: 4, CarlL-F, 15 Apr (BHl, MSS). **LD**: 27-28 May, PrRdg-J (CLH:ph, RES, MSS).

White-faced Ibis

EA: 15 Apr (2), CarlL-F (BHl, MSS); 26 & 27 Apr, Horseshoe Lk CA (Alexander Co) (PAM, JVy & SDB:ph, resp); 1 & 3 May, n. of New City (Sangamon Co) (HDB). **MC**: 3, HennepinL, 15 May (JVy). **LD**: 2-29 May (2), Emiquon (JL:ph, EC:ph, m.ob.). **Others**: L&D 13, 10-11 May (DH, SAm, EB); Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co), 18 May (TH).

Black Vulture

EA: 21 Mar (4), LSpfld (HDB:ph); 11 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 31, *Johnson*, 11 May (SDB:ph); 14, *Jackson*, 17 May (DTW). **Others**: BuseyWds, 7 May (GSL:ph, BWCL); Iola (Clay Co), 22 Apr (CLH).

Turkey Vulture

EA: 20 Feb, *Shelby* (KAF); 23 Feb, *Sangamon* (HDB); 3 Mar, LCF (ASt); 6 Mar, Champaign (GSL); 8 Mar, *Cook* (ASA); 8 Mar, Kankakee (JBH). **MC**: 120, CarlL-C, 11 May (DMK); 112, LSpfld, 21 Mar (HDB); 94, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 12 Apr (RAB); 80, *Randolph*, 1 Mar (CH, GH); 55, FtSheridan, 6 Apr (MF); 40, Normal (McLean Co), 19 Apr (BM).

Osprey

EA: 23 Mar, HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (JK, SM); 26 Mar, Urbana (BWCL); 29 Mar, *DuPage* (PAM); 30 Mar (pr back @ nest) CarlL-C (DMK). **MC**: 5, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 12 Apr (RAB); 4, RockCut, 17 Apr (DTW). **LD**: 25 May, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 16 May, *Sangamon* (HDB).

Mississippi Kite

EA: 24 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 26 Apr (2), Thebes (Alexander Co) (CLH); 7 May, Rckfd (JCL). **MC**: 6, *Alexander*, 17 May (SZ); 6, *Union*, 17 May (SZ); 5, Rckfd, 10 May (LGB, JCL, DTW, m.ob.); 4, CRSNA, 11 May (SDB). **Others**: EwingP (imm), 12 May (GHr); Edwardsville (Madison Co), 10 May (JJ:ph).

Bald Eagle

EA: 12 Feb, Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 128, MissR (Rock Island Co), 17 Mar (KJM); 117, L&D 13, 11 Mar (DTW); 80, CarlL-C, 9 Mar (DMK); 75, Hancock, 3 Mar (RJD); 70, LostMound, 15 Mar (EB). **Other**: Matteson (Cook Co) (3 ad), 21 Apr (SDB).

Northern Harrier

EA: 22 Feb (♂ and ♀), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 15, PrRdg-J, 2 Mar (AGt); 6, CarlL-C, 8 Mar (DMK); 6, *Wayne*, 6 Mar (MSS); 5, *Sangamon*, 12 Mar (HDB). **LD**: 4 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 13 Apr, LSpfld (HDB).

Sharp-shinned Hawk

MC: 6, FtSheridan, 2 May (MF) and 3 May (AS); 4, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 3 May (RAB). **LD**: 18 May, IBSP (BJS); 17 May, Ryerson (DBJ); 6 May, *Peoria* (WR); 27 Apr, FerneClyffe (PAM).

Cooper's Hawk

MC: 5, *Sangamon*, 11 Mar (HDB); 4, Bliss Wds FP (Kane Co), 31 Mar (BL); 4, DouglasP, 6 Apr (AG, EDG); 4, FtSheridan, 6 Apr & 3 May (MF & AS resp); 4, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 20 & 26 Apr (RAB); 4, JP, 27 Apr (PRC); 4, WashingtonP, Chi, 4 May (GAW et al.); 4, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 10 May (GAW et al.); 4, BuseyWds & CrystalLk, 6 Apr (GSL et al.); 4, CarlL-C, 20 Apr (DMK).

Northern Goshawk

MC: 2, FtSheridan, 6 Apr (MF). **Other**: Quincy (Adams Co) (imm), 21 Mar (PRn, PJR).

Red-shouldered Hawk

MC: 6, MermetL, 1 Mar (KAM); 5, *Jackson* & *Union*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 5, *Pulaski*, 21 Mar (KAM).

Broad-winged Hawk

EA: 4 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 9 Apr, MArb (JeZ, JoZ); 12 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 13 Apr, *Peoria* (EC). **MC**: 41, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 3 May (RAB); 17, FtSheridan, 3 May (AS); 14, Rock Island Tr, Dunlap (Peoria Co), 20 Apr (EC). **Other**: PecatonicaR FP (Winnebago Co) (dark morph), 10 May (DTW, BCW). **Note**: Few birds seen in se. Illinois (CLH).

Glossy Ibis. Prairie Ridge State Natural Area. Jasper County. 27 May 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Whooping Cranes. Prairie Ridge State Natural Area. Jasper County. 14 March 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Swainson's Hawk

EA: 18 Apr (imm), Santa Fe Twp (Clinton Co) (CD, TWd); 19 Apr (2), Burlington (Kane Co) (TB). **MC**: 3, Burlington (Kane Co), 22 Apr (PAM, BV) & 9 May (ASA, SAC, JL).

Red-tailed Hawk

MC: 40, CarlL-C, 30 Mar (DMK); 32, *McLean*, 9 Mar (APC, GHr); 26, FtSheridan, 3 May (AS); 17, Hwy 72 (Pike Co), 29 Mar (EWW); 17, FtSheridan, 17 Apr (AS); 13, *Whiteside*, 23 Mar (KJM); 13, FtSheridan, 6 Apr (MF). **Others**: se. of Rochester (Sangamon Co) (Harlan's), 15, 21 & 22 Mar (HDB); Dillon Twp (Tazewell Co) (ad dark morph "Western"), 23 Mar (APC, GHr); U of I South Farms, Urbana & North Okaw Twp (Coles Co) ("Western"), 13 Mar (RB); *Madison* (Harlan's), 1 Mar (SS:ph); Bone Gap (Edwards Co) (Harlan's), 26 Mar (SDB).

Rough-legged Hawk

MC: 5, *Bureau*, 1 Mar (JAS); 5, Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 1 Mar (JIE, MMC, et al.); 4, PrRdg-J, 5 Mar (CLH); 4, *Ogle*, 6 Mar (JAS); 4, *Woodford*, 8 Mar (TH); 4, *Carroll*, 13 Mar (KJM). **LD**: 16 May, LCal (EGy); 30 Apr, FtSheridan (MF); 8 Apr, *Livingston* (AFS); 29 Mar, CarlL-C (DMK); 22 Mar, *Edwards* (RES). **Note**: Good numbers of birds in se. Illinois into spring (CLH).

Golden Eagle

EA: 9-11 Mar, Chau (JJD, AW); 13 Mar (juv), Chau (JL:ph, EC); 13 Mar, *Jo Daviess* (KJM). **LD**: 10 May, Elsen's Hill (VM, EES). **Others**: Lake Villa (Lake Co), 18 Mar (RAB); *Bureau*, 23 Mar (JAS, PAM); Morris Twp (Grundy Co), 26 Apr (BMs).

Virginia Rail. Kerr Township. Champaign County. 10 May 2014. Photo by Greg Lambeth.

King Rail

EA: 10 May, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co) (SJH); 17 May, Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co) (JIE, BMW, EGy); 17 May, MidSav (Lake Co) (SDB, SLD); 19 May, PrRdg-M (CLH). **MC**: 3, BaileyWet-W, 29 May (CLH); 2, PrRdg-J, 26 May (CLH). **Others**: Chi (found dead @ corner of Clark St. & Leland Ave.), 25 May (GS:ph); GLPSNA, 21 May (KAM); PrRdg-J, 21 May (RES); *Clay*, 29-30 May (MSS, CLH); BaileyWet-R, 25 May (CLH).

Virginia Rail

EA: 8 Apr, Pembroke (JBH); 9 Apr, Pratt's Wayne Wds FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 9, Springbrk, 26 May (JLS); 7, *Lake*, 17 May (SDB, SLD).

Sora

EA: 14 Mar, MermetL (FKB); 31 Mar, OakBot (KAM); 5 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 7 Apr, *Ford* (DFS); 8 Apr, Heron CP (Vermilion Co) (BP); 8 Apr, FabyanM (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 55, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 10 May (SJH, KRW); 27, *Lake*, 17 May (SDB, SLD); 26, Springbrk, 10 May (JLS); 17, HennepinL, 25 Apr (DFS); 16, BaileyWet-R, 10 May (CLH); 14, *Wayne*, 6 May (RES); 12, PrRdg-M, 8 May (CLH); 12, Hickory Ridge NP (Douglas Co), 8 May (TDF); 12, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co), 18 May (TH); 10, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK).

Common Gallinule

EA: 5 Apr, GLPSNA (JWL); 19 Apr, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (WJM); 25 Apr, HennepinL (DFS). **MC**: 3, HennepinL, 2 May (JL); 3, Emiquon, 21 May (KAM); 3, Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co), 25 May (TH). **Other**: Heron CP (Vermilion Co), 12 May (KBx).

American Coot

EA: 6 Apr (2), Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 17,400, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS); 10,000, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 4044, Chau, 12 Apr (RG&SNB); 2500, SpringL Bottoms (Tazewell Co), 19 Apr (AG); 2400, MermetL, 11 Apr (KAM); 1200, CarlL-C, 12 Apr (DMK).

Sandhill Crane

EA: 12 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 11 Mar (27), Champaign (SHn). **MC**: 3026, MArb, 30 Mar (JeZ, JoZ); 3000, Fermi, 21 Mar (PAM); 1760, Westchester (Cook Co), 30 Mar (DFS). **LD**: 24 May (3), BaileyWet-W (CLH); 4 May, LCal (WJM). **Others**: StarvedRock (30), 16 Mar (SDB, SLD); Oakwood Twp (Vermilion Co) (95), 12 Mar (JOS); CarlL-F, 28 Mar (KMn fide DMK).

WHOOPING CRANE

EA: 28 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 9 Mar, DuPage R P (Will Co) (DK); 30 Mar, MArb (JeZ, JoZ). **Others**: Nieman Pond (Stephenson Co) (4), 27-28 Mar (DTW, BCW, PD); *Jasper* (4 ad, 1 juv), 14 Mar (CLH); Bogota (Jasper Co) (5), 14 Mar (CLH:ph); PrRdg-J (4), 25 Mar (RES:ph, SDB). **Note**: The above sightings all pertain to individuals from the Wisconsin population.

Dead King Rail. Clark and Leland, Chicago. Cook County. 25 May 2014. Photo by Greg Spyreas.

American Avocet. Bailey Wetland. Richland/ Wayne Counties. 18 May 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Black-necked Stilt

EA: 26 Mar, *Pulaski* (KAM); 2 Apr, Emiquon (JP); 14 May (6), HennepinL (SZ). **MC**: 31, Emiquon, 2 May (JL); 13, Chau, 9 May (RG&SNB); 7, CarlL-C, 13 Apr (MSS); 7, CarlL-F, 15 Apr (MSS). **Others**: WhispWil (6), 17 May (JBH:ph); Monticello Rd Field Station (Champaign Co) (2), 23-26 May (EJC, DLT, JBt et al.); *Edwards* (2), 28 May (CLH); AMAX (4), 11 May (CLH); BaileyWet-W (5), 19 May (CLH); *Jackson* (6), 26 Apr (SDB, CAT). **Note**: Reported from one northern, seven central, and 12 southern counties.

American Avocet

EA: 23 Apr (27), HennepinL (TH); 29 Apr, Gridley WTP (McLean Co) (BM). **MC**: 27, see above; 25, Wauk 5 May (BJD); 25, GLNTC, 9 May (DRD); 14, *Greene*, 10 May (CAT); 6, CarlL-C, 3 May (DMK). **LD**: 4 Jun, PeacockM (ASA, DK); 23 May, *Wayne* (CLH, MSS); 22 May (3), Wauk (KAM); 16 May, HennepinL (DTW, EWW, m.ob.); 13 May (3), U of I South Farms (Champaign Co) (RBr).

Black-bellied Plover

EA: 12 Apr, Wauk (AFS); 26 Apr, Montrose (MCD, FRM), 28 Apr, CarlL-C (KAM). **MC**: 20, *Monroe*, 10 May (C&PD); 9, Montrose, 21 May (MCD). **LD**: 26 May (6), Monticello Rd Field Station (Champaign Co) (DLT); 26 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 25 May (3), BaileyWet (CLH).

American Golden-Plover. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 3 May 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

American Golden-Plover

EA: 11 Mar (6), FarinaWet (RES); 11 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 2675, Rt. 49, Ayers Twp (Champaign Co), 26 Apr (DBJ et al.); 1880, *Montgomery*, 10 May (RLJ); 1386, Sargent Twp (Douglas Co), 27 Apr (DBJ et al.); 1100, Stewardson (Shelby Co), 17 Apr (TAM); 700, PrRdg-J, 24 Apr (JVy, MW); 625, Sidell Twp (Vermilion Co), 26 Apr (DBJ). **LD**: 23 May, Emiquon (EWW); 14 May (4), *McLean* (SA); 14 May (3), *Woodford* (TH); 4 May (96), BaileyWet (CLH); 3 May (26), CarlL-C (DMK:ph).

SNOWY PLOVER

EA: 6-7 Apr, Emiquon (CAT, TLK, JRRS:ph, m.ob.).

Semipalmated Plover

EA: 6 Apr, Emiquon (CS); 11 Apr, *Peoria* (EC, JP); 15 Apr, GlacialPk (DC, MC). **MC**: 74, CarlL-C, 9 May (CH, GH); 31, WhispWil, 13 May (JBH); 30, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 18 May (DTW); 26, BaileyWet, 12 May (CLH). **LD**: 21 Jun, Montrose (AFS, DK); 5 Jun (2), WhispWil (JBH); 5 Jun, Emiquon (AG, JWL); 3 Jun, LSpfld (HDB); 31 May (14), CarlL-F (DMK); 23 May (3), Chau (RG&SNB); 23 May, sw. *Greene* (EWW).

Piping Plover

EA: 20 Apr, Boogerville Bottoms (Wayne Co) (CLH, RES); 25 Apr, L&D 13 (EB); 27 Apr, Emiquon (JAS, m.ob.). **MC**: 3 (2♂, 1♀), JP, 27 Apr (PRC, JL); 2, Montrose, 28 Apr (LGM, DKA, m.ob.), one remaining to 1 May. **LD**: 10-14 May, Emiquon (CE, KBR); 3 May (2, one remaining to 4 May), Wauk (AFS, PWS, m.ob.). **Notes**: The two males at JP on 27 Apr had leg bands. One was banded as an ad. at Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Wisconsin in 2008; the other was banded in coastal South Carolina in September 2013 with no previous resightings.

Killdeer

EA: 21 Feb (3), *Sangamon* (HDB); 22 Feb, *Champaign* (RDD). **MC**: 200, CarlL-C, 29-30 Mar (DMK); 110, LShel, 22 Mar (TAM); 100, Emiquon, 6 Apr (CD); 100, RamseyL SP (Fayette Co), 13 Mar (RL).

Spotted Sandpiper

EA: 30 Mar, LSpfld (HDB); 11 Apr (3), MermetL (KAM); 12 Apr, MidFork (NS, DE); 12 Apr, Gunnar Anderson FP (Kane Co) (SAC). **MC**: 46, Chau, 23 May (RG&SNB); 30, EPSP, 8 May (MH, MLPR); 28, *Sangamon*, 10 May (HDB); 22, LCal, 10 May (SBB, WJM, JIN); 18, Wauk, 20 May (AFS); 16, *Lake*, 17 May (SDB, SLD); 16, CarlL-C, 11 May (DMK).

Solitary Sandpiper

EA: 11 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 11 Apr, MermetL (KAM); 13 Apr (4), CarlL-C (DMK); 13 Apr, BuseyWds (GSL et al.); 18 Apr, Judson University, Elgin (Kane Co) (EES); 18 Apr (2), Chau (RG&SNB). **MC**: 20, SpringL, 4 May (TH); 15, LCal, 10 May (SBB, WJM, JIN); 12, LShel, 2 May (TDF, TAM). **LD**: 25 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 24 May, EPSP (TH); 22 May, LCal (WJM); 21 May, *Whiteside* (DH).

Willets. New Berlin Township. Sangamon County. 1 May 2014. Photo by Colin Dobson.

Greater Yellowlegs

EA: 15 Mar (2), Chau (JJD); 16 Mar, CarlL-C (DMK); 28 Mar (2), Jelke Crk Bird Sanctuary (Kane Co) (PR). **MC**: 250, Emiquon, 2 May (CAT); 200, CarlL-F, 30 Mar (DMK); 200, CarlL-C, 17 Apr (DMK); 90, LShel, 13 Apr (TAM). **LD**: 3 Jun, Montrose (MCD); 26 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 25 May (2), *Champaign* (TDF, EG); 24 May, EPSP (TH); 23 May, Fermi (LY).

Willet

EA: 26 Apr, HennepinL (DH); 26 Apr, Wauk (ASt); 26 Apr, CarlL-C, 17 Apr (DMK:ph); 29 Apr, LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 60, Wauk, 8 May (NT); 52, WhalonL, 28 Apr (JAS, DK); 48, Evanston (Cook Co), 28 Apr (FRM); 31, Hickory Ridge NP (Douglas Co), 3 May (TDF:ph); 28, Chau, 9 May (RG&SNB); 24, Montrose, 1 May (RJD, AFS, JL:ph); 20, LShel, 2 May (TDF, TAM). **LD**: 27 May (2), Wauk (DRD); 19 May, Montrose (RJD); 15 May, LSpfld (HDB). **Other**: St. Joseph Wetland (Champaign Co) (5), 2 May (ZS).

Lesser Yellowlegs

EA: 11 Mar (2), FarinaWet (RES); 13 Mar, CarlL-C (CH, GH); 22 Mar, LShel (TAM); 23 Mar, McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (DK). **MC**: 800, Emiquon, 3 May (KAM); 500, CarlL-F, 30 Mar (DMK); 400 & 200, CarlL-C, 17 & 26 Apr resp (DMK); 200, LShel, 13 Apr (TAM); 150, Easter Sl (Pulaski Co), 5 May (MM-L). **LD**: 22 May, *Sangamon* (HDB).

Upland Sandpiper

EA: 5 Apr, *Monroe* (C&PD); 21 Apr, PrRdg-J (CLH); 21 Apr, Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co) (SDB); 22 Apr, *Coles* (TDF); 24 Apr, *Woodford* (TH); 5 May (2), Orland Grasslands FP (Cook Co) (WSS). **MC**: 2, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 5 May (WSS); 2, M&M Turf Farm (McLean Co), 7 May (BM); 2 (pr), Monticello Rd. Field Station (Champaign Co), 4-8 May (RBr, NS et al.).

Whimbrel

EA: 2-4 May, Emiquon (CD, CAT, m.ob.). **LD**: 20 May, Montrose (MCD, LGM).

Hudsonian Godwit

EA: 26 Apr (4), Emiquon (MJW, m.ob.). **MC**: 4, see above; 3, HennepinL, 15 May (JVy). **LD**: 25 May (2), *Whiteside* (DH). **Others**: LShel, 11 May (CSr); *Monroe*, 10 May (C&PD).

Upland Sandpiper. Chebanse Township. Iroquois County. 11 May 2014. Photo by Gary Soper.

Marbled Godwit

EA: 25 Apr, HennepinL (DFS); 29 Apr, CarlL-C (GH et al.:ph); 1 May (4), see below. **MC**: 18, Easter Sl (Pulaski Co), 3 May (PB, DE, NS); 4, Montrose, 1 May (JG:ph, MMC:ph, m.ob.); 3, Emiquon, 2 May (JL); 3, CarlL-C, 4 May (DMK:ph). **LD**: 23 May, Emiquon (EWW); 11 May, LShel (CSr).

Ruddy Turnstone

EA: 4 May, se. Illinois (CLH); 9 May, Emiquon (CAT); 10 May, Wauk (AS, PWS); 10 May (2), Montrose (LGM). **MC**: 9, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 7, IBSP, 12 May (PWS). **LD**: 8 Jun (2), Montrose (LGM:ph); 30 May, Montrose (MCD, FRM, m.ob.); 27 May, *Jackson* (JAS, JIN, PAM).

Stilt Sandpiper

EA: 5 Apr, Emiquon (AFS). **MC**: 29, BaileyWet-W, 12 May (CLH); 10, Bellrose, 25 Apr (KAM); 6, Montrose, 9 May (SP); 5, Emiquon, 27 Apr (JAS, SF). **LD**: 23 May, *Wayne* (MSS); 21 May (2), HennepinL (KAM).

Sanderling

EA: 27 Apr, Emiquon (JAS, SF, JIN, AGt); 29 Apr, Montrose (CGi). **MC**: 59, Wauk, 20 May (AFS); 24, IBSP, 18 May (EWW); 12, Montrose, 31 May (FRM). **LD**: 6 Jun (5), IBSP (AFS, PWS); 6 Jun (7), Wauk (AFS, PWS).

Marbled Godwit. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 4 May 2015. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Dunlin

EA: 31 Mar (5), *Jackson* (KAM); 5 Apr (3), LShel (TDF, TAM); 5 Apr (4), CarlL-C, (DMK);6 Apr, Emiquon (CD, SZ); 24 Apr (4), *Lake* (TW). **MC**: 175, CarlL-C, 9 May (CH, GH); 150, BaileyWet, 12 May (CLH); 120, PrRdg-M, 22 May (RES); 75, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 60, *Wayne*, 23 May (MSS); 50, *Wabash*, 11 May (MSS). **LD**: 9 Jun, Montrose (DKA, RDH); 7 Jun, Emiquon (EGy, AH); 6 Jun, WhispWil (JBH); 26 May, CarlL-C, (DMK).

Marbled Godwits. Montrose Harbor, Chicago. Cook County. 1 May 2014. Photo by Matthew Cvetas.

Baird's Sandpiper
EA: 28 Mar, EPSP (SA, TH, MJW); 30 Mar, *Crawford* (MSS); 31 Mar, *Jackson* (KAM); 1 Apr, LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 16, Emiquon, 5 May (JIE). **LD**: 27 May, *Jackson* (PAM, JIN, JAS); 21 May (4), Emiquon (KAM). **Others**: CarlL-C (2 & 4), 17 & 26 Apr resp (DMK).

Least Sandpiper
EA: 22 Mar (10), CarlL-C, (DMK); 29 Mar, EPSP (SDB); 31 Mar, *Jackson* (KAM); 6 Apr, Emiquon (AGt, CS); 25 Apr (2), HennepinL (DFS). **MC**: 200, CarlL-C, 10-11 May (DMK); 130, *Sangamon*, 8 May (HDB); 106, Mautino SFWA (Bureau Co), 10 May (DFS); 101, EPSP, 10 May (MEF); 100, Emiquon, 6 May (EC); 89, *White*, 9 May (KAM); 76, Annawan (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 75, *Wayne*, 9 May (RES); 72, LCal, 10 May (SBB, WJM, JlN); 60, Fermi, 8 May (PAM). **LD**: 5 Jun, WhispWil (JBH); 3 Jun, LSpfld (HDB); 31 May, CarlL-F (MSS).

White-rumped Sandpiper
EA: 2 May, Emiquon (CD); 3 May, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 3 May, LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 21, Emiquon, 21 May (KAM); 19, BaileyWet-W, 28 May (CLH); 12 & 10, CarlL-C, 24-25 & 10-11 May resp (DMK); 7, PrRdg-M, 22 May (RES); 7, *Wayne*, 23 May (MSS); 6, Easter Sl (Pulaski Co), 3 May (PB, DE, NS); 6, EPSP, 24 May (TH). **LD**: 18 Jun, Montrose (RDH); 6 Jun, Wauk (AFS, PWS); 28 May (19), see above; 28 May (5), *Champaign* (TDF); 25 May (12), see above.

Pectoral Sandpiper
EA: 15 Mar (2), Chau (SZ); 17 Mar (2), Emiquon (CS); 18 Mar (2), FarinaWet (KAM); 29 Mar, *Lee* (DH). **MC**: 3000 & 600, CarlL-C, 30 Mar & 12, 17 Apr resp (DMK); 1000, Emiquon, 3 May (KAM); 827, LShel, 5 Apr (TAM); 300, *Pulaski*, 4 Apr (KAM); 250, *Jackson*, 31 Mar (KAM); 175, Bellrose, 11 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 12 Jun, *Marion* (RES); 31 May (2), *Jackson* (PAM); 26 May, *Sangamon* (HDB).

Semipalmated Sandpiper
EA: 27 Apr (2), Emiquon (AGt); 30 Apr, Montrose (RJD). **MC**: 130, *Jackson*, 27 May (JAS); 125, Emiquon, 21 May (KAM); 80, CarlL-C, 25 May (DMK); 70, HennepinL, 21 May (KAM). **LD**: 23 Jun, Montrose (RDH); 16 Jun (5), *Sangamon* (HDB); 13 Jun (2), Wauk (REP); 9 Jun (4), CarlL-C (CH, GH).

White-rumped Sandpiper. Bailey Wetland. Wayne County. 10 May 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Western Sandpiper. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 26 April 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Western Sandpiper. Bailey Wetland. Wayne County. 9 May 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Western Sandpiper
EA: 26 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 29 Apr, IBSP (AFS); 2-3 May (2), Emiquon (CD, KAM, CAT). **LD**: 10 May, *Morgan* (CD); 9 May, BaileyWet-W (CLH); 4 May, EPSP (TH); 4 May, Emiquon (RLJ).

Short-billed Dowitcher
EA: 1 May (2), Fermi (PAM); 3 May, Emiquon (JIE, KAM, JP). **MC**: 47, BaileyWet-W, 12 May (CLH); 15, CarlL-F, 8 May (MSS); 15, RollinsSav, 15 May (BJS); 12, CarlL-C, 7 May (KAM); 9, Montrose, 21 May (MCD, FRM); 8, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 10 May (EWW); 8, ClintonL, 11 May (MEF); 7, EPSP, 21 May (BM); 7, *Ogle*, 18 May (DTW); 7, SpringL, 17 May (DHr). **LD**: 21 May (5), EPSP (TH); 20 May (3), BigL (Brown Co) (SDB); 19 May, Montrose (RJD).

Long-billed Dowitcher
EA: 31 Mar, *Pulaski* (KAM); 5 Apr, LShel (TDF, TAM); 24 Apr, Fermi (GP). **MC**: 120, Emiquon, 4 May (KAM); 68, CarlL-C, 9 May (CH, GH); 27, Bellrose, 25 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 17 May (3), Wauk (PWS); 15 May (24), *Kendall* (KAM); 12 May (3), BaileyWet-W (CLH); 11 May, LShel (CSr).

Wilson's Snipe
EA: 1 Mar (5), Bellrose (KAM); 16 Mar (4), CarlL-C, (DMK); 21 Mar (4), s. of Rochester (Sangamon Co) (HDB). **MC**: 165, FarinaWet, 24 Mar (SDB); 160, Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 21 Apr (SDB); 88, *Monroe*, 23 Mar (C&PD); 67, National Guard Reserve Center (Jackson Co), 10 Apr (RSR); 64, *Pulaski*, 11 Apr (KAM); 51, MermetL, 26 Mar (KAM); 45, Gridley (McLean Co), 12 Apr (PAM); 41, MlrMdw, 11 Apr (JSA). **LD**: 29 May (nesting?), PrRdg-J (CLH); 27 May, MidSav (BJS); 23-26 May (nesting?), BaileyWet-W (CLH). **Others**: IBSP (5♂ displaying), 18 May (EWW).

Thayer's Gull. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 23 March 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

LD: 23 May (3), Emiquon (JRH); 22 May (3), LSpfld (HDB); 19 May, HL (GH, KAM). **Others**: Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (8) & CarlL-C (7), 5 Apr & 10 May resp (DMK).

Ring-billed Gull

EA: 2 Mar (4), Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 40,000, CarlL-C, 8 Mar (DMK); 18,000, RendL-F, 1 Mar (KAM); 5000, HL, 7 Mar (KAM); 5000, DecaturL (Macon Co), 15 Mar (NG); 4000, *Sangamon*, 11 Mar (HDB); 3500, CONWR, 1 Mar (KAM); 2400, Navy Pier, Chi, 10 Apr (DFS); 1870, ClintonL, 14 Mar (MEF); 1303, MissR (Whiteside Co), 13 Mar (KJM).

Laughing X Ring-billed Gull

CalumetP, 20 Apr (AAA). Presumed to be the same individual seen in this area since 2004.

Herring Gull

MC: 3210, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 8 Mar (RAB); 1000, Wauk, 10 May (PWS); 700, WinthropH, 4 Mar (PWS); 500, CarlL-C, 9 Mar (DMK); 375, MissR (Whiteside Co), 13 Mar (KJM). **LD**: 30 May, Emiquon (JL); 30 May, HennepinL (JL); 15 May (imm), *Sangamon* (HDB); 10 May, CarlL-C (DMK). **Other**: EForkL (60), 9 Mar (CLH) (notable high count for this location).

American Woodcock

EA: 19 Feb, Pomona (RSR); 20 Feb, LSpfld (HDB); 27 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 11 Mar, HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (BP). **MC**: 19, GreeneVal, 30 Mar (JAS); 18, Elsen's Hill, 30 Mar (PAM); 16, IBSP, 18 May (EWW); 13, Mskoda, 10 May (JBH); 12, GLPSNA, 28 Mar (JL). **LD**: 3 Jun, Chi (**CBCM).

Wilson's Phalarope

EA: 2 Apr, Emiquon (JP); 18 Apr, CarlL-C, (DMK); 21 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 20, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 10 May (EWW); 19, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 14, SpringL, 4 May (DHr); 10, LShel, 2 May (TDF, TAM); 8, AMAX, 4 May (CLH); 8, RollinsSav, 10 May (BCS); 7 (4♂, 3♀), CWRP, 10 May (SBB, JIN, WJM). **LD**: 30 May, *Jackson* (JT); 23 May, Annawan (Henry Co) (CAT).

First-cycle Iceland Gull. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 23 March 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Red-necked Phalarope

EA: 10 May, Annawan (Henry Co) (EWW); 18 May, *Ogle* (DTW).

Bonaparte's Gull

EA: 11 Mar (5), Sangchris (HDB); 14 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH); 15 Mar (1200), CarlL-C (DMK). **MC**: 2000, CarlL-C, 6 -12 Apr (DMK); 1116, ClintonL, 11 Apr (MEF); 500, *Sangamon*, 17 & 18 Apr (HDB); 375, MermetL, 31 Mar (KAM); 350, RendL-F, 15 Mar (KAM); 300, CONWR, 4 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 31 May, CarlL-F (DMK, MSS); 22 May (5), NoP (JIN); 19 May, HennepinL (DFS).

LITTLE GULL

Dresden Cooling Pond (Grundy Co) (ad), 26 Mar (APS, NG, JL:ph).

Laughing Gull

EA: 10 May (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 10 May (ad), NWUniv (JIE, JDW); 10 May (ad), Montrose (RDH, LGM, JHP); 10-11 May (ad), Wauk (AS, PWS, AFS). **LD**: 31 May CarlL-F (MSS); 26 May, HL (PAM, JIN, JAS); 22 May, Wauk (KAM, APS). **Others**: IBSP (3rd), 17 May (EWW); Montrose (ad), 13 May (MCD, GAW:ph); LSpfld (ad), 15 May (HDB).

Franklin's Gull

EA: 1 Apr (2), *Whiteside* (DH); 2 Apr, Dixon (Lee Co) (DTW); 2 Apr, SuleL (Ogle Co) (DH, DTW); 2 Apr (2), Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (DTW). **MC**: 43, Wauk, 13 Apr (BJS); 38, *Sangamon*, 7 May (HDB); 35, Emiquon, 9 May (CAT); 30, CarlL-C, 30 Apr (KAM).

Thayer's Gull

MC: 9 (7 ad, 1 3rd, 1 2nd), LCF, 1 Mar (AS); 2, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 9 Mar (EC). **LD**: 24 Apr (ad), Wauk (PWS); 22 Apr (ad), LincP (LGM); 7 Apr, LCF (ASt); 5 Apr, Emiquon (JVy); 1 Apr (1st), Montrose (LGM). **Others**: EvergreenL (McLean Co) (ad), 14 Mar (MJW); CarlL-C (ad), 23 & 29 Mar (DMK:ph).

Iceland Gull

MC: 2, LCF, 1 Mar (AS). **LD**: 16-30 Mar (1st), CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 29 Mar, Emiquon (DHr, TH); 16 Mar (1st), MoraineHills (DTW, PD); 12 Mar (2nd), NoP (NPBW).

Thayer's/Iceland Gull

LD: 8 Apr, Palos (VS).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

EA: 7-10 Mar, EForkL (CLH). **MC**: 4 (ad or subad), HL, 1 Mar (FRH); 3 (2 ad, 1 subad), Lake Villa (Lake Co), 8 Mar (RAB); 3 (2nd, 3rd, ad) & 3 (ads), CarlL-C, 8 & 22 Mar resp (DMK:ph). **LD**: 11 May, Wauk (AFS); 11 May (2, 1st & 3rd), WinthropH (EWW); 8 May, Montrose (DMi); 20 Apr (2nd or 3rd), LShel (TAM, FRM, DTW).

Wilson's Phalarope. Bailey Wetland. Wayne County. 10 May 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrison.

Glaucous Gull. Loyola Park. Cook County. 14 April 2014. Photo by Steve Spitzer.

GLAUCOUS-WINGED GULL
[LSpfld (1st), 19-20 Mar (HDB:ph).]

Glaucous Gull
MC: 4 (1 ad, 3 imm), SteelworkersP, 28 Mar (AG); 2, Wauk, 16 Mar (BJS); 2 (1st), HL, 1 & 7 Mar (FRH:ph, KAM). **LD**: 8 Apr, Melvin Price L&D (Madison Co) (CMM, JPM); 6 Apr, Emiquon (CD, CAT); 30 Mar (3), SteelworkersP (GAW, CLW). **Others**: CarlL-C (1st & 3rd), 15 & 29 Mar resp (DMK);

Great Black-backed Gull
MC: 11 (7 ad, 1 2nd, 3 1st), SteelworkersP, 22 Mar (SBB); 9 (1 ad, 4 2nd, 4 1st), CalumetP, 29 Mar (TW); 3, NWUniv, 15 Mar (JDW). **LD**: 18 May (2nd), FtSheridan (MF); 17 May (1st), JP (RLS); 14 May (1st), SteelworkersP (AG).

Least Tern
EA: 11 May (2 ad), AMAX (CLH); 19 May, HL (KAM). **MC**: 14, *Jackson*, 27 May (PAM); 6, Miller City (Alexander Co), 27 May (PAM). **Other**: se. *Wabash* (2), 27 May (MAM).

Caspian Tern
EA: 30 Mar, WhalonL (PAM); 31 Mar, LincP (JlE). **MC**: 300, Wauk, 10 May (PWS); 225, NWUniv (Cook Co), 10 May (JlE, JDW); 202, Montrose, 9 May (RJD); 125, GLNTC, 9 May (DRD).

Black Tern
EA: 1 May, HennepinL (DFS); 5 May (2), UMRNWR (EB); 7 May (5), LSpfld (HDB); 9 May, Chau (RG&SNB). **MC**: 85, CarlL-C, 17 May (KAM); 34, Upper SpringL (Carroll Co), 16 May (EWW); 30, HennepinL, 16 May (EC); 25, Emiquon, 21 May (KAM). **LD**: 4 Jun (4), LSpfld (HDB); 4 Jun (3), *Douglas* (RB).

Common Tern
EA: 25 Apr, MermetL (JlN); 30 Apr (8), Wauk (PWS). **MC**: 425+, WinthropH, 11 & 19 May (EWW); 300, Wauk, 18 May (PWS); 32, BigL (Brown Co), 20 May (SDB). **LD**: 5 Jun (ad & imm), LSpfld (HDB); 29 May, Montrose (DKA); 25 May (3), Emiquon, (CD); 20 May, see above; 9 May (2), CarlL-C (CH, GH).

Forster's Tern
EA: 5 Apr, CONWR (KAM); 6 Apr, Emiquon (SZ); 13 Apr, Montrose (FRM). **MC**: 300, CarlL-F, 17 May (DMK); 125, Wauk, 10 May (PWS); 100, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 60, CarlL-C, 3 May (DMK:ph); 31, CONWR, 24 Apr (KAM); 30+, HennepinL, 16 May (EWW). **LD**: 6 Jun, Wauk (AFS, PWS); 5 Jun, Montrose (RJD); 1 Jun, HL (FRH); 31 May (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 29 May (2), *Sangamon* (HDB); 29 May (4), Emiquon (TH); 27 May (6), LSpfld (JM); 27 May (5), *Jasper* (MSS).

Rock Pigeon
MC: 500 (feedlot), CarlL-C, 30 Mar (DMK); 400, ESTL, 25 May (DMK); 115, Rock Falls (Whiteside Co), 1 Mar (PAM); 80, GrantP, 4 Mar (PEL); 60, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 15 Mar (ASA); 60, HL, 9 Mar (CH); 60, QC, 12 Mar (KJM).

Black-billed Cuckoo. Glacial Park. McHenry County. 24 May 2014. Photo by Bonnie Duman.

Eurasian Collared-Dove
EA: 20 Apr, Urbana (BWCL). **MC**: 57, Braceville (Grundy Co), 1 Mar (JBH); 14, *Moultrie*, 21 Apr (CAT); 12, CarlL-C, 9 Mar (DMK). **Note**: Reported from 76+ counties this spring.

Mourning Dove
EA: 20 Apr (3), JP (PRC). **MC**: 60, MlrMdw, 1 Mar (AG, EDG); 48, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 32, Braceville (Grundy Co), 1 Mar (JBH); 30, ClintonL, 1 Mar (SA); 30, JacksonvilleL (Morgan Co), 17 Mar (CD); 30, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 30, CONWR, 14 May (JGd); 29, Pembroke, 31 Mar (RDH); 28, MeadbrkPk, 1 Mar (PB); 28, Montrose, 13 Apr (GAW). **Note**: Numbers seemed low in *Sangamon* (HDB).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo
EA: 26 Apr, CONWR (KAM); 2 May, FtMassac (BJS); 8 May, Sand Crk Recreation Area (Macon Co) (MT); 9 May, JP (RLS); 10 May (9), *Greene* (CAT); 10 May, Crete (Will Co) (SZ). **MC**: 12, JubileeC, 21 May (EC); 11, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 10, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 9, see above; 8, Green Oaks Biological Field Station (Knox Co), 20 May (PS); 8, CarlL-F, 31 May (MSS); 8, Michael Wolff Wetlands (Johnson Co), 11 May (SDB); 6, SiloamSpr, 21 May (KAM); 6, *Sangamon*, 27 May (HDB). **LD**: 4 Jun, NoP (NPBW); 3 Jun, Chi (**CBCM).

Black-billed Cuckoo
EA: 5 May, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (GH); 7 May, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co) (BL); 8 May, Montrose (MCD, GAW). **MC**: 4, Elsen's Hill, 22 May (SK); 3, SBBO, 17 & 24 May (JCL); 3, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co), 22 May (BK). **LD**: 5 Jun, NP (JIN); 1 Jun, Montrose (MCD, RDH); 24 May, *Richland* (CLH).

Snowy Owl. O'Hare Airport, Chicago. Cook County. 18 April 2014. Photo by Aaron Spenser.

Barn Owl

MC: 4, Burning Star Mine (Jackson Co), 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 4, see below. **Others**: *DuPage* (at nest site), 25 May (JAS); JP, 13 Apr (SDF); SiloamSpr, 10 May (AMR); PrRdg-M, 22 Apr (CLH); PrRdg-J, 27 May (RES); *Monroe*, 8 Mar (C&PD), 6 Apr, *Edwards*, 3 & 10 May (RES); *Union*, 25 & 26 Apr (KAM). **Notes**: Noted at three sites in PrRdg-M and one in PrRdg-J on 28 May (CLH).

Eastern Screech-Owl

Notes: Reported from 31+ counties; no report involved more than two individuals.

Great Horned Owl

MC: 5, GreeneVal, 10 May (JAS); 5, MoraineHills, 10 May (RG); 4, Elsen's Hill, 1 Mar (PAM); 4, ArlingtonL (Cook Co), 8 Apr (JCB); 4, MArb, 15 Apr (JeZ, JoZ); 4, Mskoda, 10 May (JBH).

Snowy Owl

MC: 6, *Lee*, 1 & 7 Mar (PAM); 3, *LaSalle*, 15 Mar (ASA, TW); 3, Montrose, 20 Mar (ABB); 2, *Woodford*, 9 Mar (TH). **LD**: 21 Apr, *Ford* (EG:ph, CAT); 9 Apr, *Livingston* (TH); 28 Mar, Reynold's Twp (Lee Co) (SDB:ph). **Others**: *Boone*, 10 Mar (LH); WinthropH, 1 Mar (BJS); *Ogle*, 9 Mar (JCL); *DeKalb*, 15 Mar (DBJ); *Kane*, 7 Mar (PAM); near O'Hare Airport (DuPage Co), 3 Mar (GP); O'Hare Ponds, Chi, 6 Mar (MHn); Evanston (Cook Co), 20-21 Mar (MMC, RJD, FRM); Montrose, 21 Mar (RDH); GrantP, 9 Mar (DEW); Manhattan (Will Co), 18 Mar (GJ *fide* CMA); Manteno (Kankakee Co), 5, 19, & 23 Mar (JBH).

Common Nighthawk. Sand Bluff Bird Observatory. Winnebago County. 20 May 2014. Photo by John Longhenry.

Barred Owl

MC: 16, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 11, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 8, FerneClyffe, 26 Apr (PAM); 6, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 5, StarvedRock, 15 Mar (SDB); 5, Pomona (RSR).

Long-eared Owl

MC: 4, MlrMdw, 29 Mar (EGy, EDG); 2, Aurora West FP (Kane Co), 1 Mar (ASA); 2, Grafton Twp (McHenry Co), 16 Mar (DTW); 2, Montrose, 2 Apr (MCD). **LD**: 26 Apr, COLSP (JB). **Other**: Parkland College, Champaign, 11 Mar (DE:ph, NS).

Short-eared Owl

EA: 14 Mar, Montrose (ABB). **MC**: 4, Winters Wetland CA (Winnebago Co), 20 Mar (DTW); 3, Montrose, 1 Apr (ABB, MMC, MCD); 3, PrRdg-J, 6 Apr (CHr, GM). **LD**: 30 Apr, RollinsSav (BJS); 13 Apr, FtSheridan (DRD, JR), 13 Apr, MidSav (JR). **Other**: EmbarrasR Btms State Habitat Area (Lawrence Co), 6 Mar (CLH).

Common Nighthawk

EA: 29 Apr (2), Champaign (EG); 29 Apr (2), *Jackson* (JT); 6 May (2), *Sangamon* (HDB); 7 May, *Kendall* (JVy). **MC**: 31, *Macon*, 10 May (TAM); 30, Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (BL); 25, Fermi, 18 May (PAM); 25, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 22 May (SJH, NG); 12, St. Charles (Kane Co), 10 May (GP).

Chuck-will's-widow

EA: 20 Apr, FerneClyffe (VK); 22 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 3, *Johnson*, 25 Apr (JAS, SF); 3, FerneClyffe, 26 Apr (PAM, MW); 3, Forbes SP (Marion Co), 19 May (CLH).

Eastern Whip-poor-will

EA: 6 Apr, Mode (Shelby Co) (KAF); 11 Apr, Pomona (RSR); 11 Apr, FerneClyffe (KAM); 12 Apr (♀), se. *Woodford* (APC); 12 Apr, GreeneVal (JAS); 12 Apr, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA). **MC**: 19, IBSP, 18 May (EWW); 10, FerneClyffe, 26 Apr (PAM); 5, Mskoda, 10 May (JBH); 4, SiloamSpr, 26 Apr (CD).

Chimney Swift

EA: 4 Apr (3), CRSNA-P (KAM); 4 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 11 Apr, Kankakee (JBH); 13 Apr, BuseyWds (GSL); 18 Apr, East Peoria (Tazewell Co (SDB); 19 Apr (6), Rosehill Cem, Chi (RW). **MC**: 300, McGinnis, 17 May (JMV); 235, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co), 4 May (JW); 235, LincP (CZ); 185, SaltCrk, 4 May (DFS); 175, LeVasseurP, 5 May (JBH); 160, Elgin (Kane Co), 5 May (PAM); 150, Montrose, 14 May (NG, FRM).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

EA: 9 Apr, New Columbia (Massac Co) (FKB); 13 Apr, Pomona (RSR); 17 Apr, Ashmore (Coles Co) (RB); 18 Apr, Mahomet (Champaign Co) (KG); 28 Apr (2), Toulon (Stark Co) (JWW); 28 Apr, *Carroll* (EB). **MC**: 24, *Monroe*, 15 May (C&PD); 12, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK).

Belted Kingfisher

EA: 13 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 3, multiple locations and various dates. **LD**: 14 May, JP (PRC).

Red-headed Woodpecker

EA: 29 Apr, Urbana (BWCL); 30 Apr (8), *Sangamon* (HDB); 6 May, LincP (JIE). **MC**: 28, w. *Winnebago*, 10 May (DTW, BCW); 15, Merwin NP (McLean Co), 30 Mar (AW); 14, Sam Parr SP (Jasper Co), 26 Apr (MP); 13, FtMassac, 11 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 25 May, Montrose (CW).

Red-bellied Woodpecker

MC: 20, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 10 May (GAW et al.); 19, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 16, McKeeM (DuPage Co), 18 Mar (PAM); 16, HennepinL, 11 Apr (DFS).

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

EA: 2 Mar (3), Urbana (GSL et al.); 16 Mar (2), Spfld (HDB); 29 Mar, Montrose (DKA, MCD). **MC**: 15, IBSP, 13 Apr (PWS); 12, Oak Park (Cook Co), 12 Apr (EDG); 10, Queen of Heaven Cem, Hillside (Cook Co), 13 Apr (DFS); 9, Montrose CarlL-C, 6 Apr (DMK), 13 Apr (GAW); 4, . **LD**: 7 Jun, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co) (AH); 30 May, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (CGu, DW); 24 May, Marengo Ridge CA (McHenry Co) (DC, MC); 21 May, Lakeshore East P, Chi (DBJ); 17 May, BurnhamP (DEW); 17 May, GrantP (DEW); 29 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 28 Apr, Bloomington (MJW); 18 Apr, PineHills (KAM).

Downy Woodpecker

MC: 19, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 18, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 15, MlrMdw, 23 Mar (AG, EDG); 14, Carpentersville (Kane Co), 18 Apr (EES); 14, SaltCrk, 4 May (DFS).

Hairy Woodpecker

MC: 9, MArb, 10 Mar (PAM); 9, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 8, McKeeM (DuPage Co), 18 Mar (PAM); 7, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 7, Carpentersville (Kane Co), 18 Apr (EES).

Northern Flicker

EA: 21 Mar (6), *Sangamon* (HDB); 31 Mar, NoP (JIN). **MC**: 61, Queen of Heaven Cem, Hillside (Cook Co), 13 Apr (DFS); 41, Montrose, 13 Apr (GAW); 27, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 18 Apr (JPL); 25, JP, 13 Apr (SDF). **LD**: 1 Jun, Montrose (MCD, GAW).

Pileated Woodpecker
MC: 11, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 8, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 6, CRSNA-J, 17 May (MN). **Other**: 5 Apr (♀), West Chicago (DuPage Co) (UWG); BuseyWds (pr), 11 Apr (NS).

American Kestrel
EA: 20 Apr (♀), JP (PRC). **MC**: 11, *Monroe*, 23 Mar (C&PD); 10, *Sangamon*, 15 Mar (HDB); 8, SteelworkersP, 5 Apr (AG); 8, CarlL-C, 15 Mar (DMK); 8, *ne. Edwards*, 26 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 4 May, JP (PRC).

Merlin
EA: 6 Mar, LCal (LJK, JRRS); 28 Mar (♀), w. of Sangchris (HDB). **LD**: 18 May, FtSheridan (MF); 10 May, Mskoda (JB); 10 May, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co) (GAW et al.); 3 May, Bloomington (WH); 2 May, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (MSS).

Peregrine Falcon
EA: 16 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 2, DouglasP, 8 Apr (AG, EDG); 2, NoP, 9 & 30 Apr, 7 May (NPBW); 2, GrantP, 28 Apr (DEW); 2, Montrose, 1 May (JL); 2, BurnhamP, 6 May (DFS).

PRAIRIE FALCON
LD: 2 Mar, *Coles* (TDF, CE, AGt).

Monk Parakeet
MC: 16, ComEd Glen Ellyn substation (DuPage Co), 12 Apr (MM); 7, Washington P, Chi, 9 Apr (EJG). **Notes**: All reports were from Cook and DuPage Counties.

Olive-sided Flycatcher
EA: 25 Apr, White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 2 May, Ryerson (JB). **MC**: 2, Elsen's Hill, 18 May (PAM, JVy); 2, Bliss Wds FP (Kane Co), 22 May (JJD); 2, Rosehill Cem, Chi, 26 May (MCD). **LD**: 1 Jun, Spfld (HDB); 28 May, RollinsSav (AFS).

Eastern Wood-Pewee
EA: 26 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 2 May, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (JA). **MC**: 47, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 20, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 20, CarlL-C, 31 May (DMK); 18, MArb, 16 May (JeZ); 17, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 20 May (WJM).

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher
EA: 9 May, Spfld (HDB); 10 May, *Cook* (CSr); 10 May (2), Elsen's Hill (PAM); 10 May, LeVasseurP (JBH). **MC**: 8, Montrose, 20 May (BMW); 5, SteelworkersP, 20 May (AG); 4, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 20 May (DFS); 4, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 4, Plum Crk FP (Cook Co), 24 May (JIE, AZ). **LD**: 8 Jun, Stillman NC, South Barrington (Cook Co) (KML); 5 Jun, HumboldtP (SBB); 4 Jun, Mundelein (Lake Co) (TA); 3 Jun, JP (RLS); 3 Jun, Montrose (MCD); 1 Jun (2), *Randolph* (RSR); 28 May, Spfld (HDB).

Acadian Flycatcher
EA: 23 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 25 Apr, Shawnee NF (Jackson Co) (SDB, CAT); 27 Apr, Emiquon (CE). **MC**: 45, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 7, Green Oaks Biological Field Station (Knox Co), 19 May (NG).

"Traill's Flycatcher"
EA: 26 Apr, *Union* (JVy). **MC**: 15, Montrose, 20 May (BMW); 11, SBBO, 24 May (JCL); 10, GrantP, 20 May (DEW); 10, Springbrk, 24 May (JLS).

Alder Flycatcher
EA: 10 May, *Richland* (CLH); 10 May (2), *Monroe* (C&PD); 10 May, Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (MM-L); 10 May, LSpfld (HDB); 12 May, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co) (SAC); 12 May, EwingP (BM). **MC**: 12, JubileeC, 21 May (EC); 12, Springbrk, 24 May (JLS); 8, Wadsworth Wetlands FP (Lake Co), 25 May (PWS); 8, JP, 27 May (RLS). **LD**: 23 Jun, RockCut (DTW); 13 Jun, HennepinL (DFS); 8 Jun, ICCA (FRM, GAW); 6 Jun, Montrose (RDH); 26 May, Spfld (HDB); 25 May (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 24 May, *Richland* (CLH).

Western Kingbird. Evergreen Lake. McLean County. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Western Kingbird. Ryerson Conservation Area. Lake County. 14 May 2014. Photo by Bonnie Duman.

Willow Flycatcher
EA: 2 May (2), Oswego (Kendall Co) (JVy); 2 May, Elsen's Hill (DK); 4 May (2), Grassy Sl LWR (Johnson Co) (KAM); 5 May (2), LShel (TDF). **MC**: 12, Fermi, 25 May (GP et al.); 12, Aurora West FP (Kane Co), 25 May (SAC); 10, West Branch FP (DuPage Co), 24 May (LY). **LD**: 15 Jun (2), BurnhamP (SBB); 3 Jun, ColumbusP (EDG); 3 Jun, Jarvis (LGM).

Least Flycatcher
EA: 21 Apr, Splfd (HDB); 25 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 26 Apr, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA, DJA); 27 Apr, CrystalLk (PB). **MC**: 15, Montrose, 8 May (NG); 13, JP, 8 May (RLS); 12, DouglasP, 7 May (AG, EDG); 12, RiverP, Chi, 7 May (SP); 12, GrantP, 8 May (DEW); 12, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 6, CarlL-C, 11 May (DMK). **LD**: 8 Jun, Swallow Cliff Wds FP (Cook Co) (SK); 31 May, JP (RLS); 3 Jun, Midewin (JL); 2 Jun, Montrose (JPL, LM).

Empidonax sp.
MC: 20, Evanston (Cook Co), 21 May (JMB); 15, SteelworkersP, 26 May (AG, EGy).

Eastern Phoebe
EA: 1 Mar, *Johnson* (KAM); 11 Mar (2), KLMSNA (C&PD); 13 Mar, Fermi (PAM); 16 Mar, BuseyWds (GSL); 16 Mar, Kickapoo SRA (Vermilion Co) (RK). **MC**: 17, BurnhamP, 1 Apr (DFS, ERI); 14, LeVasseurP, 3 Apr (JBH); 12, Montrose, 12 Apr (DKA); 12, CarlL-C, 30 Mar (DMK); 10, *Union*, 10 May (SDB).

Great Crested Flycatcher
EA: 18 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 19 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 22 Apr, Green Oaks Biological Field Station (Knox Co) (PS); 25 Apr, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA, JWL). **MC**: 31, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 19, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 15, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 20 May (WJM); 15, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 14, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 10 May (GAW et al.); 12, CarlL-C, 10 & 25 May (DMK); 11, *Sangamon*, 25 May (HDB); 11, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 11, MBC, 10 May (MEF).

Fork-tailed Flycatcher. Gunnar Anderson Forest Preserve. Kane County. 12 May 2014. Photo by Mark Bowman.

TROPICAL/COUCH'S KINGBIRD
[nw. of Spfld, 17 May, (HDB*)].

Western Kingbird
EA: 7 May, East St. Louis (St. Clair Co) (KAM); 8 May, HL (FRH); 8 May, IBSP (PWS:ph); 10 May, *McHenry* (KML). **MC**: 6, HL, 10 May (FRH). **LD**: 3 Jun, IBSP (ASt); 31 May, Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (DC, MC); 25 May, Vance Twp (Vermilion Co) (BP, EG:ph). **Others**: Ryerson, 13-14 May (BJD, ASt, BJS, SDB m.ob.); EvergreenL (McLean Co), 15 May (SA, BM, TH, MJW); Havana (2), 25 May (Mason Co) (PAM, JIN, JAS).

Eastern Kingbird
EA: 11 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 12 Apr (2), Michael Wolff Wetlands (Johnson Co) (MM-L); 20 Apr (2), Russell Wds FP (DeKalb Co) (TB). **MC**: 60 & 40, CarlL-C, 17, 25 May & 4, 10 May resp (DMK); 27, Gunnar Anderson FP (Kane Co), 12 May (JRRS); 25, IBSP, 9 May (PWS); 25, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 16 May (EGy); 20, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 18, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 15, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT).

Philadelphia Vireo. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 17 May 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
EA: 24 Apr – 17 May (♂ missing one of long outer rectrices), W. Eden Rd, CRSNA-J (KAM, SDB:ph, CLH:ph m.ob.); 4 May, *Franklin* (LW). **MC**: 2, Cypress Crk NWR (Johnson Co), 27 May (PAM, JIN, JAS:ph). **Other**: *Lawrence,* 10-11 May (MCw, G&LB).

FORK-TAILED FLYCATCHER
Gunnar Anderson FP (Kane Co), 12 May (MB:ph, CB, SAC:ph, BL:ph, CSF:ph, m.ob.).

Shrike, sp?
Deer Grove FP (Cook Co), 13 Apr (JB); *Stark*,10 Apr (JWW).

Loggerhead Shrike
EA: 7 Mar, *St. Clair* (MSS); 8 Mar, *Wayne* (MSS); 9 Mar, PrRdg-J (KMr:ph et al.); 30 Mar, Midewin (JAS). **MC**: 3, Upper Mississippi R NWR (Jo Daviess Co), 17 May (CO); 2, *Jasper*, 18 Apr (ASA, JL); 2, Midewin (western portion), 31 May (DFS); 2, Midewin (eastern portion), 12 Apr (JAS); 2, *Edwards*, 17 Apr & 10 May (RES). **Others**: LostMound, 12 Apr (SAm); Peabody, 22 Apr (CAT); College Rd (Clinton Co), 26 Apr & 24 May (DMK:ph); *Clay*, 30 Mar (MSS); ConnerL Wetlands (Monroe Co), 22 Mar (C&PD); *Wabash,* 15 Mar (RES). **Notes**: Getting scarce in se. Illinois, with 7-10 known sites between Clay, Edwards, Jasper, Marion, and Richland Cos. (CLH). At four different locations in Midewin over the season (JAS).

Northern Shrike
MC: 2, LostMound, 16 Mar (CZk). **LD**: 6 Apr, SagSl (ASA:ph); 3 Apr, GreencVal (MAM); 30 Mar, FoxR FP (Lake Co) (BJD); 24 Mar, *McLean* (ASA); 8 Mar, Peabody (KAM). **Note**: reported from one southern, one central, and nine northern counties.

White-eyed Vireo
EA: 4 Apr, FtMassac (JL, KAM); 4 Apr, MermetL (KAM); 13 Apr, LSpfld (HDB); 17 Apr (♪♂), CrystalLk (EG); 21 Apr, Forty Acres Wds (Cook Co) (BAS). **MC**: 52, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 45, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 29, Pomona, 23 Apr (KAM); 12, CarlL-C, 18 Apr (DMK:ph). **LD**: 21 May, JP (SDF). **Other**: Montrose & Jarvis (2♪♂), 8 May (SDB).

Bell's Vireo
EA: 26 Apr (2), Bellrose (JAS, SF, JIN); 4 May, *DuPage* (SF). **MC**: 12, CRSNA-J, 11 May (SDB); 10, BannerM FWA (Peoria Co), 29 May (EC); 10, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 8, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 7, Silver Crk Preserve (St. Clair Co), 21 May (GH); 5, GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co), 18 May (DGW); 3, Midewin, 10 May (CMA); 3, CarlL-C, 31 May (DMK). **Other**: IBSP, 17 May (SDB, SLD).

Yellow-throated Vireo
EA: 9 Apr, MermetL (KAM); 17 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 20 Apr (2), LShel (FRM, TAM, DTW); 26 Apr, HennepinL (LA, BM, JP). **MC**: 16, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 11, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 10, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 8, MBC, 10 May (MEF); 7, EwingP, 8 May (MH, MLPR); 7, Palos, 24 May (WSS); 6, CarlL-C, 27 Apr (DMK).

Blue-headed Vireo
EA: 18 Apr, BuseyWds (NS); 20 Apr (2), Montrose (JGn). **MC**: 11, DouglasP, 7 May (AG, EDG); 8, EwingP, 4 May (TH); 6, RiverP, Chi, 7 May (SP). **LD**: 29 May, Gander Mountain FP (Lake Co) (PWS); 28 May, Van Patten Wds FP (Lake Co) (PWS); 26 May, HL (JIN); 26 May, FtSheridan (REP); 16 May, CrystalLk (GSL).

Warbling Vireo
EA: 11 Apr, MermctL (KAM); 11 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 20 Apr (2), Fox Ridge (JIN); 23 Apr, Gebhard Wds FP (Grundy Co) (AFS). **MC**: 40, CarlL-C, 31 May (DMK); 33, Palos, 10 May (WSS); 30, Emiquon, 4 May (MW); 24, LCal, 10 May (SBB, WJM, JIN); 22, Wayne Fitzgerrell SP (Franklin Co), 17 May (JPL); 20, Swallow Cliff Wds FP (Cook Co), 21 May (JPL); 19, *Union*, 10 May (SDB).

Philadelphia Vireo
EA: 27 Apr, CrystalLk (GSL, EG); 30 Apr, White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 7 May, Judson University, Elgin (Kane Co) (EES). **MC**: 10, CrystalLk, 16 May (GSL); 4, McKecM (DuPage Co), 17 May (KW); 4, Montrose, 21 May (MCD); 4, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK). **LD**: 31 May, Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (DC, MC); 28 May, NoP (NPBW).

Red-eyed Vireo
EA: 12 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 18 Apr, Sand Crk CA (Macon Co) (MT); 26 Apr, BuseyWds (GSL, BP); 28 Apr, LincolnM NA (DuPage Co) (JC). **MC**: 60, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK); 58, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 34, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 25 May (DFS); 30, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 25, SiloamSpr, 21 May (KAM).

Blue Jay
EA: 13 Apr (6), JP (SDF); 21 Apr, Montrose (RJD, FRM); 29 Apr (2), GrantP (JIE); 30 Apr, DouglasP (AG, EDG); 30 Apr, HumboldtP (SBB); 30 Apr (4), NoP (NPBW). **MC**: 222, Montrose, 8 May (GAW), incl 125 in reverse migration (SDB); 198, NWUniv, 10 May (JIE, JDW).

American Crow
MC: 153, Champaign, 9 Mar (PB); 90, Adams Wildlife Sanctuary, 4 Mar (AP); 69, ClintonL, 14 Mar (MEF); 47, *Union*, 10 May (SDB).

Fish Crow
EA: 14 Mar, MermetL (FKB); 17 Mar (4), AndaSl (*KJM); 20 Mar, se. Illinois (CLH). **MC**: 20, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 14, HLCA, 15 Mar (AGn); 10, CarlL-C, 17-18 Apr (DMK); 8, CONWR, 5 Apr (JGd); 8, FtMassac, 25 Apr (KAM). **Others**: Sangchris, 24 Mar (HDB); Spfld, total of 13 seen & heard on six dates in Apr (HDB); Spfld, 22 & 25 May (HDB); BaldwinL (Randolph Co) (4), 2 Apr (SDB); *Union* (6), 10 May (SDB).

Horned Lark
EA: 19 Feb, JP (PRC). **MC**: 200, CarlL-C, 8 Mar & 10 May (DMK); 91, *Whiteside*, 23 Mar (KJM); 63, WinthropH, 1 Mar (BJS); 63, *Sangamon*, 12 Mar (HDB); 53, Champaign, 2 Mar (TDF). **LD**: 18 May, JP (MMC); 3 Apr, Montrose (FRM).

Purple Martin
EA: 11 Mar, *Clinton* (MSS); 14 Mar, *Edwards* (MSS); 14 Mar (2), MermetL (FKB); 21 Mar (3♂), LSpfld (HDB); 30 Mar (♂), TiptonP, Bloomington (GHr); 6 Apr (4), HennepinL (JIN, JAS). **MC**: 80, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK); 75, LShel, 2 May (TDF, TAM); 61, JP, 6 May (RLS); 50, Montrose, 17 May (SP).

Tree Swallow
EA: 2 Mar (3), ShabonnaL SP (DeKalb Co) (JoZ); 5 Mar (4), *Franklin* (CE, AGt); 11 Mar (10), Chau (VS); 11 Mar (2), Sangchris (HDB). **MC**: 1000, CONWR, 4 Apr (KAM); 852, ClintonL, 2 May (MEF); 800, Emiquon, 2 May (CAT); 750, HennepinL, 1 May (DFS).

Northern Rough-winged Swallow
EA: 26 Mar (2), OakBot (KAM); 26 Mar, MermetL (KAM); 30 Mar, Centennial/I&M Trail (DuPage) (DFS); 31 Mar (3), LSpfld (HDB); 2 Apr, LeVasseurP (JBH); 3 Apr (2), Charleston WTP (Coles Co) (JL). **MC**: 250, Emiquon, 2 May (CD); 200, SteelworkersP, 14 May (AG); 100, HennepinL, 2 May (JL); 100, Bellrose, 15 May (MM-L).

Bank Swallow
EA: 3 Apr, LSpfld (HDB); 4 Apr (3), MermetL (KAM); 12 Apr (2), White HallL (Greene Co) (CAT); 12 Apr (2), Lakewood FP (Lake Co) (BJS). **MC**: 225, Emiquon, 9 May (CAT); 150, *Lawrence*, 10 May (MCw); 100, *Sangamon*, 18 May (HDB); 85, DPCA, 17 May (DFS).

Cliff Swallow
EA: 26 Mar, MermetL (KAM); 28 Mar (4), *Randolph* (GH); 31 Mar (2), LSpfld (HDB); 14 Apr (3), Batavia (Kane Co) (JJD). **MC**: 1300+, Upper SpringL (Carroll Co), 16 May (EWW); 1200, CarlL-C, 17-18 May (DMK); 640, *Sangamon*, 14 May (HDB); 200, Bellrose, 15 May (MM-L); 150, *Bureau*, 10 May (DFS); 127, Montrose, 13 May (GAW).

Barn Swallow
EA: 21 Mar, *White* (MSS); 22 Mar, CarlL-B (DMK); 22 Mar (2) CRSNA-J (DR, MWs); 22 Mar, LeVasseurP (JBH); 26 Mar, Fermi (GP); 26 Mar, HeideckeL SFWA (Grundy Co) (PAM). **MC**: 532, ClintonL, 2 May (MEF); 400, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK); 210, DecaturL (Macon Co), 13 May (MT); 150, Emiquon, 2 May (JL); 150, HennepinL, 2 May (JL); 150+, Upper SpringL (Carroll Co), 16 May (EWW).

Carolina Chickadee
MC: 19, FtMassac, 4 Apr (KAM); 15, Lincoln Trail SP (Clark Co), 28 Mar (GT); 13, CarlL-C, 7 May (KAM); 12, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 12, GlendaleL (Pope Co), 26 Apr (PJP, CLW, GAW).

Black-capped Chickadee
MC: 46, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 30, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 10 May (GAW et al.); 24, RockCut, 18 Apr (JCL); 22, Elsen's Hill, 9 Mar (PAM). **Notes**: Very low numbers in *Sangamon* during Mar (HDB).

Tufted Titmouse
MC: 71, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 59, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 44, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB).

Red-breasted Nuthatch
MC: 5, MArb, 8 Apr (PAM); 4, Iroquois Wds FP (Cook Co), 21 Apr (ABA); 4, UMRNWR, 9 Apr (DH); 4, Queen of Heaven Cem, Hillside (Cook Co), 1 Mar (DFS). **LD**: 30 May, *Champaign* (ZS); 28 May, St. Mary's of the Lake Seminary (Lake Co) (BJS); 25 May, Deer Grove FP (Cook Co) (CSF); 24 May, MArb (JeZ); 18 May, *Jackson* (JT).

White-breasted Nuthatch
MC: 24, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 20, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 10 May (GAW et al.); 14, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co), 11 Apr (SZ).

Brown Creeper
EA: 6 Mar, Montrose (JGz). **MC**: 15, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 12, McClaughery Springs Wds FP (Cook Co), 18 Apr (JGz); 9, BuseyWds, 5 Apr (AT-S, OP); 7 (all ♪), East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 18 Apr (SDB). **LD**: 11 Jun, Montrose (CWb); 7 Jun (2), Swallow Cliff Wds FP (Cook Co) (DMi); 23 May (2), ColumbusP (CV); 17 May, StarvedRock (JY); 10 May, BuseyWds (MK); 9 May (2), *Madison* (NW).

House Wren
EA: 13 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 15 Apr, Chau (CE); 15 Apr, Adams Wildlife Sanctuary (HDB); 18 Apr, East Peoria (Tazewell Co) (SDB); 18 Apr, *Clinton* (MSS). **MC**: 32, Humiston Wds NP (Livingston Co), 10 May (NT); 32, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 29, JubileeC (EC); 25, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 23, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 23, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 6 May (SDB).

Winter Wren
EA: 31 Mar (2), *Sangamon* (HDB); 4 Apr, Jarvis (MCD); 6 Apr (2), Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA). **MC**: 5, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co), 11 Apr (SZ); 4, Big Rock FP (Kane Co), 6 Apr (SAC); 4, Elsen's Hill, 13 Apr (LY); 4, *Sangamon*, 14 Apr (HDB). **LD**: 14 May, Chi (JA); 10 May, Pecatonica R FP (Winnebago Co) (BG); 7 May (2), NoP (JA); 7 May, GrantP (JIE); 6 May, EwingP (SA); 27 Apr, FerneClyffe (SF, JIN, JAS).

Sedge Wren
EA: 26 Apr, *Boone* (LH); 29 Apr, Silver Crk Preserve (St. Clair Co) (GH); 2 May, Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (ASt). **MC**: 7 (♪♂), Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 14 May (SDB); 5, Tri-County SP (DuPage Co), 11 May (LY); 5, Midewin, 24 May (CMA); 5, Springbrk, 26 May (JLS). **LD**: 21 May, Montrose (LJK, JRRS); 20 May, Alma (Marion Co) (CLH).

Marsh Wren
EA: 11 Apr, HennepinL (DFS); 17 Apr, ShabbonaL (RA). **MC**: 38, Springbrk, 26 May (JLS); 12, BartlettL Pr Wetland (Kendall Co), 23 May (SJ). **LD**: 30 May, Montrose (DKA); 21 May, Sangchris (HDB).

Carolina Wren
MC: 59, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 29, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT).

BEWICK'S WREN
EA: 25 Apr, Quincy (Adams Co) (AMR); 26 Apr (2), SiloamSpr (CD). **Other**: *Brown* (not at Siloam Spring SP), 28 May (GEN:ph).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher
EA: 29 Mar (2), New Columbia (Massac Co) (FKB); 31 Mar, CRSNA-P (KAM); 6 Apr, Lake Catherine (Lake Co) (PG); 8 Apr, MArb (PAM); 9 Apr, LSpfld (JM). **MC**: 75, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 68, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 60, CarlL-C, 17-18 Apr (DMK); 56, FtMassac, 11 Apr (KAM).

Golden-crowned Kinglet
EA: 20 Mar, Spfld (HDB); 30 Mar, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA, DJA); 31 Mar, Montrose (MCD); 31 Mar, LincP (LGM); 31 Mar, Jarvis (LGM); 31 Mar, IBSP (EWW). **MC**: 41, Elsen's Hill, 4 Apr (PAM); 27, MArb, 9 Apr (JeZ, JoZ); 16, Carpentersville (Kane Co), 18 Apr (EES); 16, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 8 Apr (SZ). **LD**: 5 May, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co) (BZ); 4 May, Perkins Wds, Evanston (Cook Co) (JIE); 2 May, LeVasseurP (JBH); 18 Apr, Stephen A. Forbes SP (Marion Co) (ASA, JL).

Ruby-crowned Kinglet
EA: 30 Mar (2), Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (HG); 31 Mar (3), MomenceWet (SZ); 4 Apr, FtMassac (JL, KAM); 5 Apr, McMaster Wds NP (Greene Co) (CAT); 7 Apr, Kankakee R SP (Kankakee Co) (JBH). **MC**: 50, EwingP, 5 May (WK); 45, Derwen Mawr Preserve & Oak Springs Canoe Launch (Lake Co), 20 Apr (SDB, SLD); 42, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 27 Apr (DFS). **LD**: 25 May, Jarvis (LGM); 24 May, McClaughery Springs Wds FP (Cook Co) (TW); 17 May, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (CH, GH); 17 May, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 16 May, CrystalLk (JJa, GSL); 13 May, *Woodford* (TH).

Eastern Bluebird
EA: 1 Feb (5), *Sangamon* (HDB); 9 Mar, Urbana (BWCL); 20 Mar, GrantP (DFS); 30 Mar, Montrose (KAM); 30 Mar, SteelworkersP (GAW). **MC**: 36, Big Rock FP (Kane Co), 25 Mar (SFd); 15, BuseyWds, 30 March (EJC et al.); 14, Meredosia NWR (Morgan Co), 16 Mar (CD); 13, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM). **LD**: 30 May, Montrose (MCD); 20 May, JP (EGy, AH).

TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE
LD: 11 Mar, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co) (BL).

Veery
EA: 26 Apr, BuseyWds (GSL, BP, EG); 28 Apr, StarvedRock (WR); 29 Apr, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA); 29 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 30 Apr (2), SantaFe (KAM); 30 Apr (3), LeVasseurP (JBH). **MC**: 15, Montrose, 18 May (GAW); 10, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 12 May (JDW); 9, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co), 15 May (AS); 9, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 8, NoP, 21 May (NPBW). **LD**: 9 Jun, DouglasP (EDG); 31 May, GrantP (DEW); 30 May, Montrose (MCD, FRM); 28 May, DouglasP (AG); 26 May, *Woodford* (PF).

Gray-cheeked Thrush
EA: 21 Apr, CrystalLk (GSL, BP, EG); 27 Apr, CarlL-C (MSS); 29 Apr (2), Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (RES); 29 Apr, BuseyWds (PB). **MC**: 13, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 12, NoP, 18 May (SJH); 9, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co) (APy); 9, FtMassac, 4 May (KAM). **LD**: 30 May, IBSP (ASt); 30 May, Montrose (DKA, FRM); 22 May, *Sangamon* (HDB); 20 May, *Marion* (RES); 20 May, BuseyWds (EG).

Swainson's Thrush
EA: 16 Apr, Sangamon R FP (Champaign Co) (NS et al.); 18 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 19 Apr, AmboyM (Lee Co) (DH); 20 Apr, NoP (ML); 21 Apr, Montrose (DKA). **MC**: 40, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co), 17 May (DKA, APy); 34, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 8 May (JPL); 34, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 24, FtMassac, 4 May (KAM); 20, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK). **LD**: 14 Jun, JP (WIBW); 3 Jun, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (GG); 3 Jun, Jarvis (LGM); 1 Jun (2), Montrose (RDH, GAW); 31 May, GrantP (DEW); 27 May (2), Spfld (HDB); 26 May, Bloomington (MEF); 20 May, John M. Olin NP (Madison Co) (NW).

Veery. Busey Woods, Urbana. Champaign County. 4 May 2014. Photo by Greg Lambeth.

Hermit Thrush
EA: 22 Mar, Urbana (BWCL); 27 Mar, NoP (JIN); 1 Apr, JP (RLS); 1 Apr, Montrose (SP). **MC**: 56, Montrose, 13 Apr (GAW); 43, Montrose, 15 Apr (FRM); 25, IBSP, 13 Apr (PWS). **LD**: 21 May, GrantP (EGy, GG); 18 May, SteelworkersP (AG, TW); 18 May, LincP (ML); 17 May, CrystalLk (GSL:ph); 15 May, *Woodford* (TH); 27 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK).

Wood Thrush
EA: 11 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 13 Apr, Pomona (JT); 20 Apr, Fox Ridge (GT); 21 Apr, *Boone* (LH); 21 Apr, Montrose (DKA, JA, MCD). **MC**: 23, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 12, Bureau Crk bluffs (Bureau Co), 10 May (DFS); 12, SiloamSpr, 26 Apr (CD); 10, CarlL-C, 10 & 17 May (DMK). **LD**: 2 Jun, LSpfld (HDB); 23 May, NoP (JIN); 22 May, Montrose (DMi); 18 May, JP (BAS).

American Robin
MC: 240, BurnhamP, 1 Apr (ERI, DFS); 220, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 6 May (JW); 220, ColumbusP, 2 Apr (EDG); 200, CarlL-C, 30 Mar, 17 Apr & 24 May (DMK).

Gray Catbird
EA: 20 Mar, Montrose (FRM); 21 Mar, NoP (JIN); 21 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 24 Apr, *Johnson* (KAM); 24 Apr, EwingP (WK); 25 Apr, BuseyWds (GSL). **MC**: 75, JP, 8 May (RLS); 59, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 46, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 37, GreeneVal, 10 May (JAS); 37, SBBO, 10 May (JCL, JLA); 35, GrantP, 10 May (JMB, BMW); 30, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK).

Brown Thrasher
EA: 8 Feb (wintering bird?), se. Illinois (CLH); 22 Feb (wintering bird?), EvergreenL (McLean Co) (AW); 15 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 18 Mar, East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (KZ); 21 Mar, HennepinL (DFS); 30 Mar, Montrose (JIE). **MC**: 30, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK); 20, Montrose, 8 May (NG); 15, SteelworkersP, 17 Apr (AG); 15, SiloamSpr, 26 Apr (CD). **LD**: 28 May, Montrose (MCD); 26 May (4), SteelworkersP (AG, EGy).

Northern Mockingbird
EA: 20 Apr, Champaign (AR:ph); 23 Apr, NoP (NPBW). **MC**: 17, CRSNA-J, 4 May (JWs); 12, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 10, *Union*, 10 May (SDB). **LD**: 28 May, Montrose (MCD); 20 May, JP (RLS). **Others**: Ethel's Wds FP (Lake Co), 10 May (SLD, F&GG); Ohio (Lee Co), 10 May (EWW).

European Starling
MC: 1200, CarlL-C, 8 Mar (DMK); 1000, LCF, 9 Mar (EGy); 900, QC, 22 Mar (KJM); 300, *Cook*, 24 Mar (RJD); 250, *Putnam*, 21 Mar (DFS); 250, Montrose, 9 Apr (RJD); 250, Champaign (PB).

American Pipit
EA: 1 Mar, WagonL SNA (St. Clair Co) (CH, GH); 3 Mar (2), EForkL (CLH); 6 Mar, *Franklin* (CE, AGt); 11 Mar, Fermi (PAM); 14 Mar (2), *Coles* (TDF). **MC**: 300, CarlL-C, 20 Apr (DMK); 85, *Union*, 12 Apr (KAM); 60, *Cumberland*, 26 Mar (TDF); 60, *Douglas*, 10 Apr (TDF); 36, Bone Gap (Edwards Co), 26 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 6

Jun, IBSP (AFS, PWS); 23 May (2), Montrose (KAM); 18 May (2), FtSheridan (MF); 13 May, WhispWil (JBH); 12 May, Gridley WTP (McLean Co) (BM); 10 May (34), *White* (KAM). **Note**: First and second passages not descernible from the collection of data.

Cedar Waxwing (1st passage)

EA: 23 Mar (6), Spfld (HDB). **MC**: 125, *Jackson*, 16 Mar (CO); 120, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 8 Mar (RAB); 110, Oswego (Kendall Co), 12 Mar (JVy).

Cedar Waxwing (2nd passage)

EA: 12 May, *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 240, FtSheridan, 18 May (MF); 153, Montrose, 18 May (GAW); 119, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 12 May (RAB); 105+, IBSP, 18 May (EWW); 90, GrantP, 12 & 21 May (DEW); 41, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 40, CarlL-C, 11 & 24 May (DMK). **LD**: 4 Jun (13), *Sangamon* (HDB). **Notes**: "1st and 2nd passage" hard to sort out from the data. It appears there is flocking and departure from areas with wintering populations, but migration areas in the northern tier without wintering or summering populations see a big movement only in May. The end of migration is hard to detect from the data, extending into June in the n. tier apparently, and also in *Sangamon*.

Snow Bunting. Ashton. Lee County. 9 March 2014. Photo by Karen Lund.

Lapland Longspur

MC: 1000, *Livingston*, 9 Apr (MJW); 425, *Champaign*, 2 Mar (TDF); 325, *Coles*, 2 Mar (TDF); 250, *Rock Island*, 16 Mar (DH); 250, *Whiteside*, 23 Mar (KJM); 80, CarlL-C, 8 Mar (DMK). **LD**: 11 May, FtSheridan (BMW); 6 May (6), Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (JRRS, RLS); 27 Apr (12), WhispWil (JBH); 14 Apr (150), *Livingston* (TH).

Smith's Longspur. Loyola Park, Chicago. Cook County. 29 April 2014. Photo by Steve Spitzer.

Smith's Longspur

EA: 14 Mar (12), e. *Sangamon* (HDB); 16 Mar, *Rock Island* (DH); 21 Mar (2), *McLean* (JL); 24 Mar, Nieman Pond (Stephenson Co) (DTW, BCW), 26 Mar (5), *Vermilion* (EMH); 31 Mar (2), PrRdg-J (KAM). **MC**: 300-400 & 98, Chenoa (McLean Co), 13 & 18 Apr (MEF & SDB resp); 200, *Macon*, 14 Apr (MT); 175, *Shelby*, 5 Apr (TDF, TAM); 100, *Coles* (2 locations), 1-2 Apr (TDF, RB); 75, *Champaign*, 18 Apr (DRD); 70, w. of Spfld, 26 Mar (HDB); 65, Emiquon, 9 Apr (KBR). **LD**: 10 May (3), MidFork (GSL, EG); 4 May (40), Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (TW); 2 May (27), Greenview Wetland (Woodford Co) (TH); 29 Apr, Chi (MMC, JCs). **Others**: LoyolaP Beach (Chi) (♂), 29 Apr (SSr:ph); La Moille (Bureau Co) (8), 17 Apr (MAM); *Peoria* (40), 27 Apr (EC); CrystalLk (12 flyovers), 20 Apr (GSL). "First in 20 years of birding this park."; Arcola Twp (Douglas Co) (35), 27 Apr (RB, DBJ, et al.).

Snow Bunting

MC: 162, *DuPage*, 3 Mar (GP); 75, *Ford*, 1 Mar (DBJ); 40, *LaSalle*, 15 Mar (ASA); 40, *Lee*, 7 Mar (PAM). **LD**: 28 Mar, *DeKalb* (KML); 26 Mar (10), *Stephenson* (DTW); 22 Mar, Montrose (MCD); 15 Mar (2), *Iroquois* (JBH).

Worm-eating Warbler. LaBagh Woods, Chicago. Cook County. 12 May 2014. Photo by John Picken.

Ovenbird

EA: 12 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 18 Apr (2), Spfld (HDB); 20 Apr (2), White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 20 Apr, LShel (DTW, TAM, FRM); 24 Apr, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (JPL). **MC**: 18, SiloamSpr, 21 May (KAM); 18, LowdMil, 11 May (DTW); 15, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co), 15 May (AS). **LD**: 3 Jun, Chi (**CBCM); 31 May, Montrose (MCD); 29 May, GrantP (DFS); 24 May, JP (RLS); 20 May, BuseyWds (EG).

Worm-eating Warbler

EA: 17 Apr, *St. Clair* (GH); 18 Apr, PineHills (KAM); 26 Apr, SiloamSpr (CD); 26 Apr, CrystalLk (MR, GSL, BP et al.); 29 Apr (window kill), Normal (McLean Co) (fide APC**); 3 May, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (SBB). **MC**: 20, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 11, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (CAT, SDB). **LD**: 29 May, GrantP (DFS, JIE); 27 May, Montrose (MCD, PJP).

Louisiana Waterthrush

EA: 21 Mar, FtMassac (KAM); 30 Mar, HL (FRH); 31 Mar, *Johnson* (KAM); 31 Mar, *Sangamon* (HDB); 5 Apr, BuseyWds (EW et al.); 5 Apr, *Pike* (CAT); 10 Apr (3), McClaughery Springs Wds FP (Cook Co) (BAS). **MC**: 14, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 13, Giant City SP (Jackson Co), 25 Apr (CAT, SDB); 10, Pomona, 12 Apr (KAM). **LD**: 5 May, NoP (JIN); 4 May, JP (PRC).

Northern Waterthrush

EA: 13 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 19 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 19 Apr, GrassyL (Union Co) (KAM); 21 Apr, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (JWL); 21 Apr, LeVasseurP (JBH). **MC**: 41, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 36, GrantP, 10 May (JMB, BMW); 28, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 25, *Lake*, 17 May (SDB, SLD); 25, HumboldtP, 10 May (AG, EDG). **LD**: 9 Jun, Montrose (DKA); 26 May, Spfld (HDB); 23 May, *Woodford* (TH); 22 May, *Wayne* (RES).

Golden-winged Warbler

EA: 25 Apr (2), OakBot (PAM); 25 Apr, White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 26 Apr, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (TAM); 27 Apr, Walnut Point SP (Douglas Co) (CW, DBJ et al.); 29 Apr, Fox Ridge

(TDF); 2 May, *Lee* (PAM). **MC**: 12, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 10 May (DH); 12, Elsen's Hill, 14 May (JL); 11, JubileeC, 10 May (EC); 15 & 9, *Champaign* & CrystalLk, BuseyWds, 10 & 11 May resp (GSL et al.). **LD**: 26 May, Jarvis (JIE); 23 May, *Jackson* (JT); 20 May, Sand Crk CA (Macon Co) (MT).

Blue-winged Warbler

EA: 11 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 19 Apr (2), Pomona (KAM); 21 Apr, Quincy (Adams Co) (AMR); 21 Apr, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (GF, DKs); 23 Apr, Reed-Turner Woodland NP, Long Grove (Lake Co) (MS). **MC**: 11, GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co), 10 May (DGW); 8, Elsen's Hill, 9 & 10 May (PAM); 6, JubileeC, 21 May (EC). **LD**: 12 Jun, Montrose (LGM); 17 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 13 May (2), BuseyWds (PB).

"Brewster's" Warbler

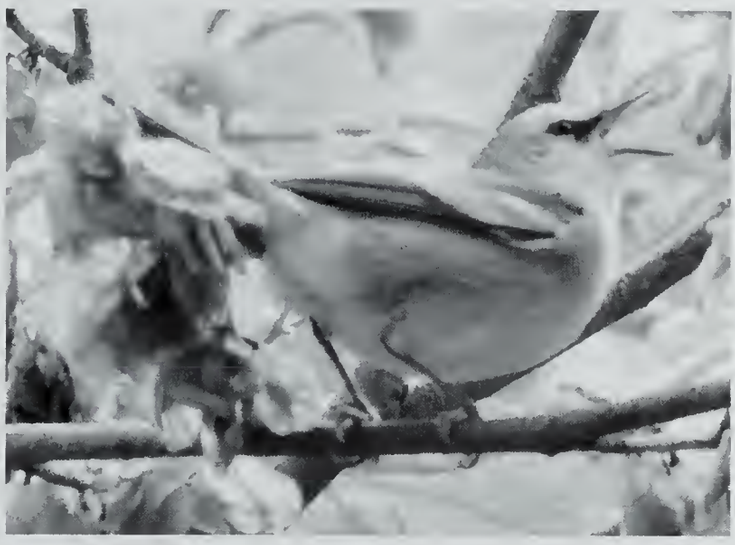
Macon, 4 May (TAM); Spfld, 4 May (HDB); Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 7 May (BZ); EwingP, 8 May (MH, MLPR); Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co), 10 May (VS); Fullersburg Wds FP (DuPage Co), 19 May (LP:ph).

"Lawrence's" Warbler

MArb, 8 May (GP).

Black-and-white Warbler

EA: 4 Apr (2), FtMassac (JL); 10 Apr, EwingP (SA); 12 Apr, Michael Wolff Wetlands (Johnson Co.) (MM-L); 12 Apr, McMaster Wds NP (Greene Co) (CAT); 17 Apr, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co); 20 Apr (3), FtSheridan (BJD). **MC**: 25, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 4 May (LR); 21, HumboldtP, 12 May (CHn); 15, JP, 3 May (AH); 15, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.); 8, CarlL-C, 11 May (DMK). **LD**: 9 Jun, DouglasP (EDG); 5 Jun, HumboldtP (SBB); 30 May, Montrose (DKA, JA, MCD); 29 May, GrantP (DFS).



"Brewster's" Warbler. Fullersburg Woods Forest Preserve. DuPage County. 19 May 2014. Photo by Linda Padera.

Prothonotary Warbler

EA: 4 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 11 Apr (4), *Johnson* (KAM); 11 Apr (3), MermetL (KAM); 11 Apr (3), Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (MM-L); 11 Apr (2), HLCA (KAM); 11 Apr, *Pulaski* (KAM); 13 Apr, Splfd (HDB); 19 Apr, McClaughery Springs Wds FP (Cook Co) (BAS, SZ); 20 Apr, Fox Ridge (TDF et al.). **MC**: 15, MermetL, 11 May (MM-L); 12, CarlL-F, 8 May (MSS); 11, Cypress Crk NWR, 19 May (MM-L); 10, CarlL-C, 11 May (DMK); 5, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 6 May (SDB). **LD**: 22 May, JP (KAM); 22 May, Montrose (DMi).

Tennessee Warbler

EA: 17 Apr (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 21 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 23 Apr, MArb (JeZ, JoZ, m.ob.); 23 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 26 Apr, SiloamSpr (CD); 26 Apr (2), BuseyWds (GSL, BP, EG); 26 Apr, *Lake* (ASt). **MC**: 122, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 52, Knoch Knolls P, Naperville (Will Co), 18 May (JAS); 45, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.); 42, Plum Crk FP (Cook Co), 10 May (ABA); 41, CarlL-C, 7 May (KAM). **LD**: 3 Jun, Chi (**CBCM); 2 Jun, Swallow Cliff Wds FP (Cook Co) (DKA, FRM); 30 May, CalumetP (DFS); 27 May, Spfld (HDB); 18 May (4), CarlL-C (DMK).

Orange-crowned Warbler

EA: 17 Apr, *Richland* (CLH); 17 Apr, BuseyWds (NS:ph); 18 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 20 Apr, JP (AH); 21 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 21 Apr, CrystalLk (EG); 21 Apr (2), Spfld (HDB); 21 Apr, Montrose (LGM). **MC**: 7, JP, 26 Apr (PAD); 5, EwingP, 4 May (TH); 5, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 7 May (MMC, FRM); 5, SBBO (JLA, JCL); 4, BuseyWds, 4 May (GSL, DLh m.ob.). **LD**: 24 May, NoP (JIN); 18 May, *Moultrie* (TAM); 17 May, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 16 May, BuseyWds (GSL:ph).

Nashville Warbler

EA: 11 Apr, MArb (JeZ, JoZ); 14 Apr, OakBot (JT); 18 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 21 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 21 Apr, CarlL-B (DMK); 21 Apr, CrystalLk (GSL, BP, EG); 22 Apr, Elsen's Hill (PAM). **MC**: 72 (banded), SBBO, 10 May (JLA, JCL); 51, Humiston Wds NP (Livingston Co) (NT); 34, Judson University, Elgin (Kane Co) (EES). **LD**: 2 Jun, SaltCrk (DFS); 30 May, River Forest (Cook Co) (JSA); 30 May, Montrose (FRM); 19 May, *Peoria* (EC); 18 May (2), Spfld (HDB); 18 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 16 May, Red Hills SP (Lawrence Co) (CLH).

Connecticut Warbler

EA: 8 May, *Winnebago* (DTW); 9 May, JP (RLS); 9 May, Queen of Heaven Cem, Hinsdale (Cook Co) (DFS); 9 May, Les Arends FP (Kane Co) (ASA, SAC, JL). **MC**: 4, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co), 23 May (MW); 3, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 24 May (ASA). **LD**: 30 May, CalumetP (DFS); 29 May, Swallow Cliff Wds FP (Cook Co) (JL); 28 May, RollinsSav (AFS); 26 May, Bloomington (MEF).

Mourning Warbler

EA: 2 May, CONWR (DHd); 4 May, HeronPond (PB, DE, NS); 7 May, Spfld (HDB); 8 May, *Macon* (MT); 9 May, BuseyWds (GSL et al.); 9 May, Montrose (TW); 9 May, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co) (BZ). **MC**: 16, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 8, Montrose, 20 May (FRM); 6, JubileeC, 21 May (EC); 3, BusyWds, 17 & 21 May (GSL). **LD**: 11 Jun, Glenview (Cook Co) (HS); 9 Jun (2♀), Montrose (RDH); 1 Jun, IBSP (CSF); 26 May, Bloomington (MEF); 25 May, BuseyWds (MK); 18 May, White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (CH, GH).

Kentucky Warbler

EA: 19 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 20 Apr (2), White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 28 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 29 Apr, BuseyWds (PB, NS, GSL et al.); 29 Apr, EwingP (LA, WK, BM); 2 May, HumboldtP (SBB). **MC**: 49, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 13, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 11, Pomona, 23 Apr (KAM); 10, Green Oaks Biological Field Station (Knox Co), 19 May (NG).

Common Yellowthroat

EA: 9 Apr, East Branch FP (DuPage Co) (JC); 11 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 12 Apr, *Johnson* (MM-L); 21 Apr, NoP (JIN); 23 Apr, Fox Ridge (TDF). **MC**: 91, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 67, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 55, Montrose, 21 May (LJK, JRRS); 54, DYNL, 10 May (ASA); 45, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 41, Volo Bog SNA (Lake Co), 26 May (JRRS). **LD**: 4 Jun, NoP (NPBW).

Hooded Warbler

EA: 12 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 16 Apr, Spfld (HDB); 16 Apr, Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (MM:ph, m.ob.); 23 Apr, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co) (WP:ph). **MC**: 12, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 11, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 5, EwingP, 30 Apr (LA); 4 (2♂, 2♀), BuseyWds, 4 May (GSL, DLh m.ob.). **LD**: 20 May, Montrose (LJK).

American Redstart

EA: 19 Apr (2), Pomona (KAM); 21 Apr, CarlL-B (DMK); 23 Apr, OakBot (CAT); 26 Apr, Fox Ridge (AFS); 29 Apr, McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 60, Montrose, 21 May (RJD); 40, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 40, CarlL-C, 11 & 17 May (DMK); 39, JP, 22 May (RLS); 25, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.). **LD**: 6 Jun, NoP (JIN); 5 Jun, HumboldtP (SBB); 27 May (3), Spfld (HDB).

Cape May Warbler
EA: 27 Apr, CrystalLk (GSL et al.); 28 Apr, Fox Ridge (LS); 29 Apr, Ballard NC (Effingham Co) (RES); 29 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 29 Apr, HumboldtP (SBB). **MC**: 8, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.); 7, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 9 May (DFS); 7, RockCut, 14 May (LH); 6 (4♂, 2♀), JP, 14 May (PRC). **LD**: 2 Jun, Montrose (JPL, LM); 24 May, FtSheridan (MF); 20 May, *Woodford* (TH).

Cerulean Warbler
EA: 19 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 20 Apr (2), White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 27 Apr, FtSheridan (MSt); 30 Apr, Elsen's Hill (JL, PAM, MW). **MC**: 4, Pomona, 23 & 26 Apr (CAT, SDB); 4, MissPalis, 30 May (NG). **LD**: 25 May, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co) (SZ).

Northern Parula
EA: 3 Apr (2), New Columbia (Massac Co) (FKB); 5 Apr, *Champaign* (D&EZ); 9 Apr, MArb (PAM). **MC**: 35, Pomona, 12 Apr (KAM); 34, Union & Jackson Cos, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 25, FtMassac, 11 Apr (KAM); 15, Fox Ridge (LBR); 15, Clayton F. Smith Preserves (Cook Co), 10 May (TBL). **LD**: 25 May, Montrose (CGi, CW); 24 May, JP (RLS).

Magnolia Warbler
EA: 25 Apr, Johnson (SF, JIN, JAS); 29 Apr (2), HumboldtP (SBB); 29 Apr, BuseyWds (BJ-S:ph) . **MC**: 28 (21♂, 7♀), JP, 12 May (PRC); 24, Montrose, 21 May (TW); 22, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 12 May (MCD); 22, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 21 May (AFS); 14, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.). **LD**: 1 Jun, Jarvis (LGM); 1 Jun (2), Montrose (RDH); 28 May, Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 24 May, CarlL-C (DMK).

Bay-breasted Warbler
EA: 29 Apr (2), Fox Ridge (TDF); 1 May, Bloomington (LA); 4 May (2), FtMassac (KAM); 6 May, Elgin (Kane Co) (JVy); 6 May, McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 8, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 21 May (AFS); 6, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 6, JP, 21 May (SDF). **LD**: 31 May, Montrose (MCD); 30 May, CalumetP (DFS); 22 May (♀), Spitler Wds SNA (Macon Co) (TAM).

Blackburnian Warbler
EA: 22 Apr, BuseyWds (BJ-S:ph); 24 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 26 Apr, Adams Wildlife Sanctuary (LWd); 3 May, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA). **MC**: 13, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 10, Montrose, 20 May (LGM); 9, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 9 May (DFS); 8, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.). **LD**: 19 Jun (♪♂), Chi (NM); 12 Jun (♪♂), Olive P, Chi (JIE); 11 Jun (♪♂), Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (DFS); 28 May, Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 25 May, CarlL-C (DMK).

Townsend's Warbler. Ewing Park, Bloomington. McLean County. 3 May 2014. Photo by Wes Kolb.

Cerulean Warbler. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 3 May 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Yellow Warbler
EA: 13 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 21 Apr, Montrose (DKA). **MC**: 91, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 50, JP, 21 May (SDF); 34, GreeneVal, 10 May (JAS); 24, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK).

Chestnut-sided Warbler
EA: 25 Apr, OakBot (PAM); 30 Apr, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (MSS); 30 Apr, LeVasseurP (JBH); 30 Apr, EwingP (LA et al.); 3 May, Chi (JA); 3 May, MArb (JeZ, JoZ); 3 May, Elsen's Hill (PAM); 3 May, *Kane* (JW). **MC**: 25, EwingP (WK); 22, Clayton F. Smith Preserves (Cook Co), 10 May (TBL); 20, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 20, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 12 May (BMW); 20, JP, 21 May (SDF); 20, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.); 15, *Union*, 10 May (SDB). **LD**: 1 Jun, NoP (SJH, JIN); 31 May, LincP (LGM); 27 May (2), Spfld (HDB); 25 May, BuseyWds (EG); 18 May, CarlL-C (DMK).

Blackpoll Warbler
EA: 25 Apr, HLCA (PAM); 25 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 28 Apr, CrystalLk (GSL et al.); 29 Apr (2), McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 23, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 15, JP, 18 May (LBR); 14, Montrose, 18 May (FRM); 12, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 20 May (DFS); 12, CarlL-C, 11 & 17 May (DMK); 11, CrystalLk & BuseyWds, 11 May (GSL et al.). **LD**: 12 Jun, OliveP, Chi (JIE); 3 Jun, Montrose (MCD); 27 May, Spfld (HDB); 25 May, *Woodford* (EC); 24 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 18 May, CONWR (VS).

Black-throated Blue Warbler
EA: 27 Apr, Pomona (JGd); 30 Apr, Montrose (EK). **MC**: 5, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 4, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (EE); 4, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 16 May (BH); 3, Montrose, 27 May (GF, DKs). **LD**: 31 May, Montrose (LBR); 31 May, GrantP (DEW); 8 & 14 May, BuseyWds (GSL, DLh et al.). **Notes**: A female stayed at Montrose to late Jul.

Black-throated Gray Warbler. Judson University, Elgin. Kane County. 5 May 2014. Photo by Scott Cohrs.

Palm Warbler
EA: 1 Apr, Chi (DKA); 9 Apr, Afton FP (DeKalb Co) (RA); 13 Apr, Palos (LBR); 13 Apr, Queen of Heaven Cem, Hinsdale (Cook Co) (DFS). **MC**: 140, Clayton F. Smith Preserves (Cook Co), 10 May (TBL); 88, JP, 8 May (RLS); 81, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 7 May (BZ); 76, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 4 May (DFS); 50, BuseyWds, 4 May (GSL, DLh m.ob.); 30, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 6 May (SDB). **LD**: 30 May, Montrose (FRM); 30

May, GrantP (DEW); 22 May (2), *Peoria* (EC); 19 May, HL (KAM).

Pine Warbler

EA: 1 Mar (2, wintering?), CONWR (KAM); 31 Mar, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (LBR); 6 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 9 Apr (2), MArb (PAM). **MC**: 8, CrystalLk, 27 Apr (BJ-S, NS); 6, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co), 4 May (PAM). **LD**: 18 May, Montrose (FRM); 17 May, EwingP (LA, WK).

Yellow-rumped Warbler

EA: 14 Mar, Sangchris (HDB); 1 Apr, JP (RLS); 1 Apr, BurnhamP (ERI, DFS); 5 Apr (2), BuseyWds (EW). **MC**: 275, Clayton F. Smith Preserves (Cook Co), 10 May (TBL); 170, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 4 May (DFS); 150, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 7 May (BZ); 120, Fabyan FP (Kane Co), 5 May (JW); 120, Saw Wee Kee P (Kendall Co), 1 May (JVy); 111, *Sangamon*, 30 Apr (HDB); 106, ClintonL, 2 May (MEF); 60, CarlL-C, 27 Apr (DMK). **LD**: 12 Jun (2), Montrose (RDH, KS); 31 May, MoraineHills (KML); 30 May, RainbowP (DFS); 24 May (2), EvergreenL (Woodford Co) (TH); 17 May (6), CarlL-C (DMK); 16 May, West Salem Res (Edwards Co) (RES). **Others**: JP ("Audubon's Warbler," ♂), 22 May (KAM, APS), no details provided.

Yellow-throated Warbler

EA: 4 Apr (5), FtMassac (KAM); 10 Apr, *Peoria* (EC); 10 Apr, *Sangamon* (HDB); 11 Apr, Kankakee R SP (Kankakee Co) (JBH); 17 Apr, SteelworkersP (AG). **MC**: 13, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 12, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 9, Pomona, 12 Apr (KAM); 8, FtMassac, 18 Apr (KAM); 7, Fox Ridge, 26 Apr (AFS); 7, Sangamon, 29 Apr (JM). **LD**: 20 May, Montrose (FRM).

Prairie Warbler

EA: 17 Apr, *Sangamon* (HDB); 18 Apr, Grassy Sl (Johnson Co) (KAM); 18 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 20 Apr (♪♂),CrystalLk (GSL); 22 Apr, HennepinL (JP); 26 Apr, SiloamSpr (CD); 2 May, HumboldtP (SBB). **MC**: 35, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (CAT, SDB); 13, FerneClyffe, 12 May (GT); 12, CRSNA, 11 May (SDB). **LD**: 23 May, HumboldtP (DKA); 22 May, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (VS).

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER

Judson University, Elgin (Kane Co), 5 May (EES, SAC:ph, BL:ph, m.ob.).

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER

EwingP, 3 May (WK:ph, BM:ph, m.ob.).

Black-throated Green Warbler

EA: 4 Apr, FtMassac (JL, KAM); 12 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 13 Apr, Qunicy (Adams Co) (AMR); 14 Apr, *Sangamon* (HDB); 20 Apr, LShel (TAM, FRM, DTW); 21 Apr (2), GillsonP (RM); 21 Apr, CrystalLk (PB, DE); 21 Apr, Salt Crk P FP (DuPage Co) (RS). **MC**: 35, Clayton F. Smith Preserves (Cook Co), 10 May (TBL); 22, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 8 May (JRRS); 17, Brezina Wds FP (Cook Co), 9 May (DFS). **LD**: 9 Jun, Chi (MCD); 8 Jun, WinthropH (PWS); 5 Jun, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co) (AS); 31 May, BuseyWds (NS); 26 May, Bloomington (MEF); 19 May, Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (MM-L).

Canada Warbler. Carlyle Lake. Clinton County. 11 May 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Canada Warbler

EA: 30 Apr, White Rock NP (Monroe Co) (C&PD); 4 May, DouglasP (AG, EDG); 6 May, HeronPond (MM-L); 7 May, LeVasseurP (JBH); 7 May, HumboldtP (DKA, SBB); 7 May, JP (CGi). **MC**: 23, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co), 21 May (AFS); 18, Montrose, 21 May (FRM); 18, JP, 21 May (SDF). **LD**: 12 Jun (♂), Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (WJM); 11 Jun, Jarvis (LGM); 3 Jun, Chi (**CBCM); 1 Jun, Montrose (CHn); 27 May (2), Spfld (HDB); 26 May, Bloomington (MEF); 25 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 19 May, Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (MM-L). **Notes**: "More numerous than usual this year" (WJM).

Wilson's Warbler

EA: 23 Apr, EwingP (SA, JP); 1 May, Mattoon (Coles Co) (GT); 1 May, NoP (JIN); 3 May, Portage Wds FP (Cook Co) (LR). **MC**: 35, Montrose, 21 May (FRM); 31, JP, 24 May (RLS); 27, NoP, 21 May (NPBW); 22, HumboldtP, 21 May (DKA). **LD**: 7 Jun, Leeville (Kankakee Co) (DFS); 6 Jun, Pratt's Wayne Wds FP (DuPage Co) (KW); 6 Jun, Montrose (LGM); 24 May, ClintonL (EW); 23 May (4), Spfld (HDB); 19 May, HL (GH); 19 May, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (KAM); 19 May, *Clinton* (MSS); 19 May, Cypress Crk NWR (Union Co) (MM-L).

Eastern Towhee. Lincolnshire. Lake County. 18 April 2014. Photo by Norman Carl.

Yellow-breasted Chat

EA: 21 Apr, HeronPond (KAM); 23 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 23 Apr, *Pulaski* (CAT); 25 Apr, Quincy (Adams Co) (AMR); 25 Apr, BuseyWds (PB, GSL); 1 May, Fox Ridge (LS); 4 May, Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co) (JW). **MC**: 18, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 9, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 8, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 8, CRSNA-J, 17 May (MN). **LD**: 25 May, Montrose (MCD); 13 May, BuseyWds (PB).

Spotted Towhee

Cass, 10 May (RR).

Spotted X Eastern Towhee

West Chicago (DuPage Co), 3-5 Mar (MRB:ph).

Eastern Towhee

EA: 9 Mar (2), CarlL-C (DMK); 14 Mar, LSpfld (HDB); 19 Mar, NoP (JIN); 22 Mar, Eggers Grove FP (Cook Co) (WJM); 4 Apr (2), GrantP (DFS, DEW); 4 Apr, Jarvis (MCD); 5 Apr, JP (RLS); 13 Apr, BuseyWds (EG); 13 Apr (2), CrystalLk (PB). **MC**: 40, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 21, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 20, CarlL-C, 17 Apr & 17 May (DMK); 19, LowdMil, 2 May (PAM); 16, Montrose, 7 May (MCD). **LD**: 22 May, JP (RLS).

American Tree Sparrow

MC: 63, McKeeM (DuPage Co), 18 Mar (PAM); 60, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 15 Mar (RAB); 53, *Sangamon*, 26 Mar (HDB); 12, CarlL-C, 5 Apr (DMK). **LD**: 10 May, Ferguson FP (Winnebago Co) (DTW); 9 May, Chi (SJH); 7 May, Westchester (Cook Co) (DFS); 6 Apr (8), CarlL-C (DMK).

Chipping Sparrow
EA: 9 Mar, Monroe (C&PD); 13 Mar, Champaign (CA); 15 Mar (2), LSpfld (PAM); 19 Mar, St. Clair (GH); 23 Mar, *Whiteside* (KJM); 24 Mar, Fermi (PAM); 28 Mar, Winfield Mounds FP (DuPage Co) (LY). **MC**: 39, Pomona, 12 Apr (KAM); 33, Montrose, 29 Apr (MCD); 30, LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co), 4 May (BMW); 30, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 30, CarlL-C, 17 Apr (DMK).

Clay-colored Sparrow
EA: 15 Apr, WeaverP, Urbana (ZS:ph); 23 Apr, *McLean* (NS:ph, PB, DE, BJ-S); 26 Apr, Springbrk (JLS); 27 Apr, Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (MM:ph). **MC**: 7, GrantP, 7 May (DFS); 6, HumboldtP, 7 May (SBB); 6, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 6 May (JWL); 5, BurnhamP, 7 May (GAW); 5, GeorgeL (Rock Island Co), 4 May (DH). **LD**: 24 May, Plum Crk FP (Cook Co) (JIE, AZ); 23 May, Waterfall Glen FP (DuPage Co) (DK, LY); 21 May, Montrose (JIE); 10 May, *Monroe* (C&PD). **Others**: IBSP (2), 30 May (AS), representing two birds that had been present at the site for at least two weeks; BuseyWds (♪♂), 4-6 May (GSL, DLh m.ob.); Ballard NC (Effingham Co), 29 Apr (CLH:ph).

Clay-colored Sparrow. Ballard Nature Center. Effingham County. 29 April 2014. Photo by Leroy Harrision.

Field Sparrow
EA: 2 Mar, BuseyWds (GSL et al.); 9 Mar, CarlL-C (DMK); 16 Mar, LSpfld (HDB); 31 Mar, Montrose (RJD); 1 Apr, BurnhamP (JD); 2 Apr, NoP (NPBW). **MC**: 62, Midewin, 4 May (JAS); 41, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 40, SteelworkersP, 20 Apr (AG); 23, GeorgeL (Rock Island Co), 4 May (DH); 22, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 11 May (JVy). **LD**: 31 May, Montrose (JIE); 17 May, GrantP (DEW). **Notes**: Very scarce in *Sangamon* (HDB).

Vesper Sparrow
EA: 1 Mar, Silver Crk Preserve (St. Clair Co) (CH, GH); 12 Mar, CONWR (JGd); 29 Mar, Sauer Pr Kame FP (Kane Co) (PAM); 31 Mar, Fermi (PAM). **MC**: 10, SteelworkersP, 10 Apr (AG); 10, CarlL-C, 5 Apr (DMK); 9, ClintonL, 11 Apr (MEF); 9, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH).

Lark Sparrow
EA: 12 Apr, LostMound (SAm); 12 Apr, Montrose (MCD, ML, FRM). **MC**: 8, Nachusa, 30 Apr (NB); 5, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 5, MBC, 10 May (MEF); 4, Mskoda, 10 May (JBH). **LD**: 10 May, Montrose (DKA). **Others**: IBSP (3), 18 May (EWW); Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW).

Savannah Sparrow
EA: 22 Feb, *Sangamon* (HDB); 6 Mar (6), CarlL-C (DMK); 23 Mar, *Will* (SZ); 24 Mar, Funk'sGrove (ASA), 24 Mar (2), Fermi (PAM). **MC**: 85, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 6 May (JW); 58, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 10 May (SJH, KRW); 45, ECapeGir, 13 Mar (KAM); 45, SteelworkersP, 23 Apr (AG); 45, Deer Grove (East) FP, 10 May (GAW et al.); 20, CarlL-C, 6 Apr (DMK). **LD**: 31 May, GrantP (DEW); 31 May, Montrose (MCD).

Grasshopper Sparrow
EA: 14 Apr, PaulDouglas (SWS); 14 Apr, Chi (MCD); 19 Apr, *Mason* (ASA, JL). **MC**: 15, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (JWL); 14, MineralM NP (Henry Co), 17 May (SH); 11, Upper Mississippi R NWR (Jo Daviess Co), 17 May (CO); 11, Midewin, 31 May (ASA); 7 (♪♂), Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 14 May (SDB). **LD**: 18 May, LincP (GAW).

Henslow's Sparrow
EA: 11 Apr, *Johnson* (KAM); 11 Apr, se. Illinois (CLH); 16 Apr, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co) (AG); 17 Apr, Bartel LWR (Marion Co) (ASA, JL); 19 Apr (2), PrRdg-J (LBR). **MC**: 25 (23♪♂), Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 21 Apr (SDB); 20, Springbrk, 26 May (JLS); 16, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 12, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 6 May (JWL). **LD**: 19 May, Montrose (MCD).

Le Conte's Sparrow
EA: 6 Mar, PrRdg-M (CLH); 31 Mar, IBSP (EWW); 12 Apr, Urbana (ZS:ph); 13 Apr, Geneva (Kane Co) (ASA, SAC:ph); 18 Apr, Gensburg-Markham Pr (Cook Co) (DFS); 23 Apr, *Richland* (CLH, RES). **LD**: 14 May, Ryerson (BJD, AFS); 3 May (banded), SBBO (JCL:ph).

Nelson's Sparrow
EA: 17 May, Urbana (GSL); 22 May, PrRdg-M (CLH, RES); 22 May, Montrose (DKA, KAM, LGM).

Fox Sparrow
EA: 15 Feb, Urbana (BWCL); 20 Feb, *Sangamon* (HDB); 8 Mar, CarlL-C (DMK); 16 Mar, JP (PRC); 17 Mar, DouglasP (AG, EDG); 19 Mar, GrantP (DEW); 20 Mar (3), EwingP (SA). **MC**: 76, JP, 1 Apr (RLS); 60, BurnhamP, 1 Apr (ERI, DFS); 50, SteelworkersP, 10 Apr (AG); 36, GrantP, 1 Apr (DFS); 35, EwingP, 36 Mar (JP). **LD**: 6 May, JP (RLS); 3 May, Chi (JA); 1 May, GrantP (JIE); 21 Apr, Kankakee (JBH); 20 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK). New CarlL L.D. date by 10 days.; 9 Apr, FtMassac (KAM).

Song Sparrow
MC: 140, BurnhamP, 1 Apr (ERI, DFS); 109, JP, 1 Apr (RLS); 90, SteelworkersP, 10 Apr (AG); 86, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 68, Fermi, 5 Apr (GP); 60, Springbrk, 4 May (JLS); 40, CarlL-C, 17 Apr (DMK).

Lincoln's Sparrow
EA: 5 Apr, *Monroe* (C&PD); 6 Apr, Urbana (DE, NS); 10 Apr, NoP (JIN). **MC**: 6, Montrose & Jarvis, 8 May (SDB); 4, CarlL-C, 17 May (DMK). **LD**: 1 Jun, Ryerson (BJS); 31 May, Montrose (LGM, LBR), 29 May, GrantP (DFS); 22 May, *Champaign* (TC); 15 May, *Monroe* (C&PD).

Swamp Sparrow
EA: 13 Mar, HumboldtP (SBB); 14 Mar, GrantP (JIE). **MC**: 50, SteelworkersP, 26 Apr (AG); 50 (banded), SBBO, 3 May (JCL); 45, GrantP, 28 Apr (DEW); 45, Northerlyl, 10 May (JMB, BMW); 40, HennepinL, 26 Apr (ASA, JL). **LD**: 29 May, BurnhamP (DFS); 29 May, Montrose (RP); 11 May, BuseyWds (MK); 10 May (3), CarlL-C (DMK).

White-throated Sparrow
EA: 9 Mar, Jarvis (LGM); 1 Apr, NoP (SJH); 2 Apr, Montrose (AFS); 8 Apr (2), JP (AH). **MC**: 225, JP, 27 Apr (PRC); 205, BurnhamP, 2 May (GAW); 175, GrantP, 2 May (SP); 121, CrystalLk, 28 Apr (BJ-S). **LD**: 4 Jun, NoP (NPBW); 31 May, GrantP (DEW); 30 May, Montrose (DKA, FRM); 23 May, *Peoria* (EC); 22 May, Champaign (TC); 17 May, CarlL-C (DMK); 11 May (2), FtMassac (MM-L); 11 May, *Wabash* (MSS).

Harris's Sparrow
LD: 7 May, *Macon* (MT:ph); 5-6 May, Montrose (MCD, m.ob.); 3-4 May, NWUniv (JDW, m.ob.). **Other**: BuseyWds, 30 Mar (PL, EJC et al.).

White-crowned Sparrow

EA: 13 Apr, NoP (JIN). **MC**: 224, GrantP, 7 May (DFS); 150, Northerlyl, 10 May (JMB, BMW); 121, Montrose, 8 May (GAW); 100, SteelworkersP, 8 May (AG, EDG). **LD**: 11 Jun, GrantP (EGy, NM); 2 Jun, Montrose (RJD); 21 May, Auburn (Sangamon Co) (TR); 19 May, *Woodford* (TH); 12 May, *Lawrence* (JPo); 11 May, CarlL-C (DMK). **Others**: NWUniv (Gambel's-type), 4 May (JIE:ph); LShel (Gambel's-type), 18 May (TAM).

Dark-eyed Junco

MC: 87, Jarvis, 31 Mar (LGM); 80, Rosehill Cem, Chi, 2 Apr (RJD); 76, *Sangamon*, 16 Mar (HDB); 68, Fox Ridge, 12 Mar (TDF); 66, LeVasseurP, 2 Apr (JBH); 45, BuseyWds, 6 Apr (GSL et al.); 40, 15-16 Mar CarlL-C (DMK). **LD**: 11 Jun, NoP (NPBW); 29 May, Montrose (JIE, JDW); 20 May, *McHenry* (PW); 11 May, *Hancock* (AMR); 10 May (2), Willowbrook Wildlife Center (DuPage Co) (SD, GP); 10 May (2), *DeKalb* (LH); 9 May, Quincy (Adams Co) (AMR). **Others**: Holiday Hills (McHenry Co) ("Oregon" Junco), 1-2 Mar (LMa); *DuPage* ("Oregon" Junco), 6 & 8 Apr (AL:ph); MBC (2 "Oregon" Junco), 12 Mar (MEF); Kankakee ("Oregon" Junco, ♂), 11-13 Mar (JBH:ph); Kankakee ("Cassiar" Junco), 22 & 27 Mar (JBH:ph).

Summer Tanager

EA: 12 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 19 Apr, PineHills (KAM); 25 Apr, BuseyWds (PB); 26 Apr, SiloamSpr (CD); 27 Apr, Charter OakP, Peoria (Peoria Co) (WR); 29 Apr, Shorewood (Will Co) (JLn). **MC**: 35, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 25, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT). **LD**: 22 May, GrantP (DEW); 16 May, CrystalLk (BJ-S). **Other**: BuseyWds (3), 2 May (GSL:ph, DLh:ph et al.).

Scarlet Tanager

EA: 18 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 19 Apr, Pomona (KAM); 21 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK:ph); 25 Apr (2♂), Spfld (HDB); 26 Apr, SiloamSpr (CD); 26 Apr, Fox Ridge (AFS); 27 Apr (molting ♂), CrystalLk (GSL et al.); 27 Apr, JP (TF); 29 Apr, McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 17, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 16, Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co), 17 May (DKA, APy); 14, SiloamSpr, 15 May (SZ); 13, Elsen's Hill, 10 May (PAM); 12, Naperville (Will Co), 16 May (DK). **LD**: 30 May, Montrose (FRM); 28 May, HumboldtP (DKA); 28 May, NoP (NPBW).

WESTERN TANAGER

Palos Heights (Cook Co), 28 Apr – 5 May (CPE:ph).

Northern Cardinal

MC: 99, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 65, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 48, HLCA, 11 Apr (KAM); 41, Spfld, 1 Mar (AP); 40, CarlL-C, 6, 17 Apr & 11, 17 May (DMK); 37, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 1 May (ASA, NG); 36, *Jackson*, 25 Apr (SDB, CAT); 35, GreeneVal, 10 May (JAS).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

EA: 21 Apr, *Union* (JBe); 22 Apr, Lincoln Land Community College (Sangamon Co) (JM, TR); 23 Apr, Pomona (CAT); 24 Apr, *Carroll* (EB); 24 Apr, Kankakee (JBH); 25 Apr, MArb (JPL); 25 Apr, JP (RLS). **MC**: 28, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 24, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 19, Elsen's Hill, 10 May (EES, PAM); 19, *Stark*, 10 May (JWW); 17, Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co), 10 May (JPL, RAM); 17, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 17, Miller-Anderson Wds NP (Putnam Co), 11 May (DEW). **LD**: 30 May, Montrose (JA, FRM); 28 May, NoP (NPBW).

Blue Grosbeak

EA: 13 Apr (ad ♂), Cypress Crk NWR (Pulaski Co) (MM-L); 15 Apr, Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (GH); 21 Apr, Quincy (Adams Co) (AMR); 26 Apr, SilloamSpr (CD). **MC**: 14, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 4, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 4♂, CRSNA, 11 May (SDB); 4, Mermet Floodplain (Massac Co), 4 May (KAM); 4, *Sangamon*, 17 & 19 May (HDB).

Indigo Bunting

EA: 12 Apr (2), Pomona (RSR); 13 Apr (6), *Union* (JBe); 21 Apr, CarlL-C (DMK); 26 Apr, Fox Ridge (LS); 26 Apr, CrystalLk (DE); 29 Apr, McDowell Grove FP (DuPage Co) (PAM). **MC**: 218, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 60, CarlL-C, 10 & 31 May (DMK); 56, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 49, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 41, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 40, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT). **LD**: 30 May, GrantP (DEW); 30 May, Montrose (MCD). **Notes**: "Numbers dropping in this once abundant species" (HDB).

Western Tanager. Palos Heights. Cook County. 3 May 2015. Photo by Carl England.

Dickcissel

EA: 25 Apr, FtMassac (KAM); 26 Apr, Ware (Union Co) (KAM); 27 Apr (6), CarlL-C, (DMK); 3 May (8), *Greene* (CAT); 3 May (6), Hickory Ridge NC (Douglas Co) (TDF); 3 May, Emiquon (JP); 3 May, Ryerson (KA); 6 May, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 6 May (SDB); 6 May, Orland Grasslands (RLS, JRRS). **MC**: 120, CarlL-C, 10-11 May (DMK); 67, Midewin, 24 May (CMA); 63, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 33, Fermi, 29 May (GP). **LD**: 12 Jun, Montrose (RDH); 11 Jun, RainbowP (DFS).

Bobolink

EA: 24 Apr, *Jackson* (RPa:ph); 27 Apr, Midewin (ML); 30 Apr, Montrose (JIE). **MC**: 117, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 10 May (SJH, KRW); 80, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 64, RollinsSav, 10 May (GLH); 60, *Coles*, 10 May (TDF); 49, Midewin, 10 May (CMA); 48, GreeneVal, 10 May (JAS); 21, *Union*, 10 May (SDB). **LD**: 1 Jun (♂), Montrose (MCD); 27 May, PrRdg-J (CLH); 26 May, SteelworkersP (AG, EDG).

Red-winged Blackbird

EA: 11 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 17 Feb, *Sangamon* (HDB); 22 Feb (4), EvergreenL (McLean Co) (AW); 22 Feb, Montrose (PAM). **MC**: 12,000, Peabody, 9 Mar (DM); 10,000, *Sangamon*, 12 Mar (HDB); 6100, QC, 22 Mar (KJM); 3500, *Coles*, 12 May (TDF); 3000, Emiquon, 6 Apr (CD).

Eastern Meadowlark

EA: 23 Feb (2), Spfld (HDB); 4 Mar, WhalonL (PAM); 8 Mar, ClintonL (TDF); 8 Mar, EvergreenL (Woodford Co) (TH); 10 Mar, *Grundy* (JL). **MC**: 46, PrRdg-J, 4 Apr (CB); 40, Bartel Grassland LWR (Cook Co), 21 Apr (SDB); 37, Midewin, 10 May (CMA); 34, Killdeer Wetlands FP (Cook Co), 18 Apr (DFS); 32, *Union*, 10 May (SDB). **LD**: 18 May, JP (MMC, JCs, EK); 10 May, Northerlyl (JMB, BMW); 8 May, Montrose (GAW).

Western Meadowlark

EA: 11 Feb, CONWR (JGd); 16 Feb (2), *Bond* (MSS); 5 Mar (3), Sangchris (HDB); 14 Mar, *McDonough* (CO); 17 Mar, *Mercer* (KJM); 22 Mar (2), LostMound (JAS); 22 Mar, MomenceSod (LMa); 22 Mar (2), *Will* (JIN). **MC**: 6, Reynolds Twp (Lee Co), 2 May (PAM); 6, Upper Mississippi R NWR (Jo Daviess Co), 17 May (CO).

Yellow-headed Blackbird
EA: 10 Apr (♂), Montrose (ABB, FRM, m.ob.); 14 Apr, Rochelle (Ogle Co) (DTW, JDo). **MC**: 9, Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (SMn et al.); 7, Goose L CA (McHenry Co), 10 May (DC, MC); 7, GlacialPk, 26 APr (SMn); 5, Pingree Grove WTP (Kane Co), 22 Apr (SFd); 5, HennepinL, 26 Apr (ASA, JL, JP); 4, Emiquon, 25 May (CD); 4, PaulDouglas, 19 Apr (SD). **Others**: EPSP (♂), 6 May (SDB, TH).

Rusty Blackbird
EA: 14 Feb, O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (CH); 16 Feb (22), MermetL (KAM); 21 Feb, se. Illinois (CLH); 22 Feb (15), CarlL-C (MSS); 2 Mar (5), DPCA (JIN, JAS); 6 Mar (6), Fermi (PAM); 7 Mar, Bloomington (JL); 8 Mar (6), ClintonL (TDF). **MC**: 800, *Bureau*, 21 Mar (AFS); 270, Maize Rd (Stephenson Co), 28 Mar (DTW, BCW); 200, CarlL-B, 30 Mar (DMK); 150, McKinley Wds FP (Will Co), 27 Mar (DTW); 80, CarlL-C, 22 Mar (DMK); 50, Washington Co CA, 27 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 9 May, Geneva (Kane Co) (JJD); 6 May, Wilkinson-RenwickM FP (DeKalb Co) (LH); 5 May, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (AFS); 1 May (2), AromaPark (JBH); 29 Apr, Tazewell (DHr); 28 Apr (2), BaileyWet-W (CLH); 25 & 26 Apr (25 & 45), SniderL (Jackson Co) & OakBot resp (CAT, SDB). **Notes**: Poor showing at Thatcher Wds FP (Cook Co) (JSA).

Brewer's Blackbird
EA: 21 Feb, *Grundy* (JBH); 22 Feb (3), Guzy Pr Pothole Wetlands (Shelby Co) (TDF, TAM); 4 Mar, *Williamson* (JGd); 11 Mar (♂), PrRdg-M (CLH). **MC**: 1200, CarlL-C, 6 Apr (DMK); 27, *Sangamon*, 8 Apr (HDB); 25, *Marion*, 16 Apr (RES); 17, IBSP, 23 Apr & 18 May (SDB & EWW resp). **LD**: 10 May (2), Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (WH); 2 May (♀), Montrose (FRM); 20 Apr, HL (FRH); 20 Apr (60), CarlL-C (DMK); 19 Apr (4), PrRdg-J (LBR).

Common Grackle
EA: 1 Feb, NoP (JIN, RW); 24 Feb (100), *Sangamon* (HDB). **MC**: 5000, Peabody, 9 Mar (DM); 3000, QC, 22 Mar (KJM); 1500, North Shore Channel (Cook Co), 24 Mar (RJD); 800, *Bureau*, 21 Mar (AFS).

Brown-headed Cowbird
EA: 21 Feb (500), *Sangamon* (HDB); 10 Mar, Montrose (SP). **MC**: 2000, CarlL-C, 22 Mar (DMK); 1000, *Sangamon*, 24 Feb (HDB); 625, *Edgar*, 11 Mar (TDF); 500, Emiquon, 6 Apr (CD); 400, Bellmont (Wabash Co), 26 Mar (SDB); 352, QC, 23 Mar (KJM); 350, *Coles*, 12 Mar (TDF).

Orchard Oriole
EA: 14 Apr (ad ♂), *Jackson* (RPa:ph); 22 Apr, *Champaign* (NS); 23 Apr (imm ♂), NoP (NPBW, GAW:ph). **MC**: 25, *Union*, 10 May (SDB); 23, Johnson-Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 10 May (EWW); 11, Pembroke, 31 May (RDH); 10, CarlL-C, 4 May (DMK); 10, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 8, *Sangamon*, 10 May (HDB); 8, MArb, 10 May (LBR); 8, NygrenWet, 10 May (ATB). **LD**: 2 Jun, NoP (JIN).

Baltimore Oriole
EA: 18 Apr, MoraineHills (DC); 18 Apr, *Monroe* (C&PD); 23 Apr, Ware (Union Co) (KAM); 25 Apr, Evanston (MMC). **MC**: 41, HennepinL, 11 May (DFS); 35, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 30, CarlL-C, 10 May (DMK); 25, IBSP, 8 May (PWS); 24, NygrenWet, 10 May (ATB).

Rusty Blackbird. Carlyle Lake. Clintion County. 5 April 2014. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

House Finch
MC: 30, Geneseo (Henry Co), 5 Mar (SH); 24, *Cook*, 20 May (EK); 22, LSpfld, 4 Mar (JM); 22, Kankakee, 10 Mar (JBH); 22, Oak Park (Cook Co), 25 Mar (EDG).

Purple Finch
EA: 1 Mar (2) Elsen's Hill (PAM). **MC**: 27, MissPalis, 13 Mar (KJM); 9, MArb, 10 Mar (PAM); 5, *Edwards*, 22 Mar (RES); 5, Elsen's Hill, 4 Apr (PAM). **LD**: 15 May (3), Chi (TW); 6 May (2), Angler'sL NP (McLean Co) (LA); 6 May, HumboldtP (SBB); 5 May, HennepinL (DFS); 4 May, Kankakee (JBH); 2 May, *Monroe* (C&PD).

Pine Siskin
MC: 6, Augustana College (Rock Island Co) (SH); 4, Oglesby (LaSalle Co), 14 Mar (SDB). **LD**: 16 May, Forest Park (Cook Co) (JSA); 9 May (2), Elsen's Hill (PAM); 7 May, NoP (SJH); 5 May, Minonk (Woodford Co) (TH); 12 Apr, *Monroe* (C&PD). **Notes**: Few birds this spring.

American Goldfinch
MC: 116, East Peoria (Tazewell Co), 6 May (SDB); 100, Carroll, 9 May (EB); 98, White, 19 Mar (SSe); 95, SBBO, 13 May (JCL); 86, LCal, 10 May (MLB, SBB, WJM, JIN); 75, *Jackson*, 26 Apr (SDB, CAT); 70, FtMassac, 11 Mar (KAM).

House Sparrow
MC: 188, Alton/Godfrey (Madison Co), 21 May (SDB); 110, Kankakee, 5 Mar (JBH); 102, Chi, 9 Apr (DKA); 101, Montrose, 15 Mar (MMC, JCs); 100, NoP, 1 May (EK).

Eurasian Tree Sparrow
MC: 50, SpringL, 3 Mar (AGt); 27, Two Rivers NWR (Calhoun Co), 26 Mar (BSf).

Exotic/Released Species.

African Collared-Dove
Oak Park (Cook Co), 25 May (KB).

Budgerigar
Riis P, Chi, 19 May (EDG).

European Goldfinch
EA: 8 Mar, *Lake* (JLs); 11 Mar, Lake Villa (Lake Co) (RAB). **MC**: 6, Wauk, 11 Apr (EES). **Notes**: 1-6 birds seen during 16 Mar to 26 May at Wauk.

ERRATA:

"Field Notes: The 2013 Spring Migration" (*Meadowlark* vol. 22, no. 4, pp. 138-164) listed a Northern Shrike sighting for 3 May, HL (FRH). This record should have instead read as 3 Mar, HL (FRH).

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